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The Bay High Lady Tigers
clawed their way to the
top — and want to stay.

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Miss Geraldine doesn't take 'no'
for an answer when it comes to
caring for children.

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Chamber Business After Hours is today

Hancock Chamber Business After Hours takes place today, Thursday, from 5-7 p.m., at Hancock Bank, Highway 90 Branch in Bay St. Louis. Open to both everyone. Admission is two business cards.

Bingo Tuesdays start at American Legion

The Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion Post 77, Waveland will host bingo at 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday at the post on Coleman Ave. \$5 pack, extras for \$1.

Rosary for Peace to begin at OLG Church

Our Lady of the Gulf Church will host a rosary service for peace on Friday, Feb. 7, beginning at 7 p.m. to "pray for peace in our world, our families, and within ourselves. The special rosary will continue on the first Friday of each month.

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INVESTIGATION ON-GOING IN BAY MAN'S DEATH IN PASS

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

A capacity crowd of mourners filed into Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis yesterday to pay last respects to 43-year-old Timothy Daniel Murphy.

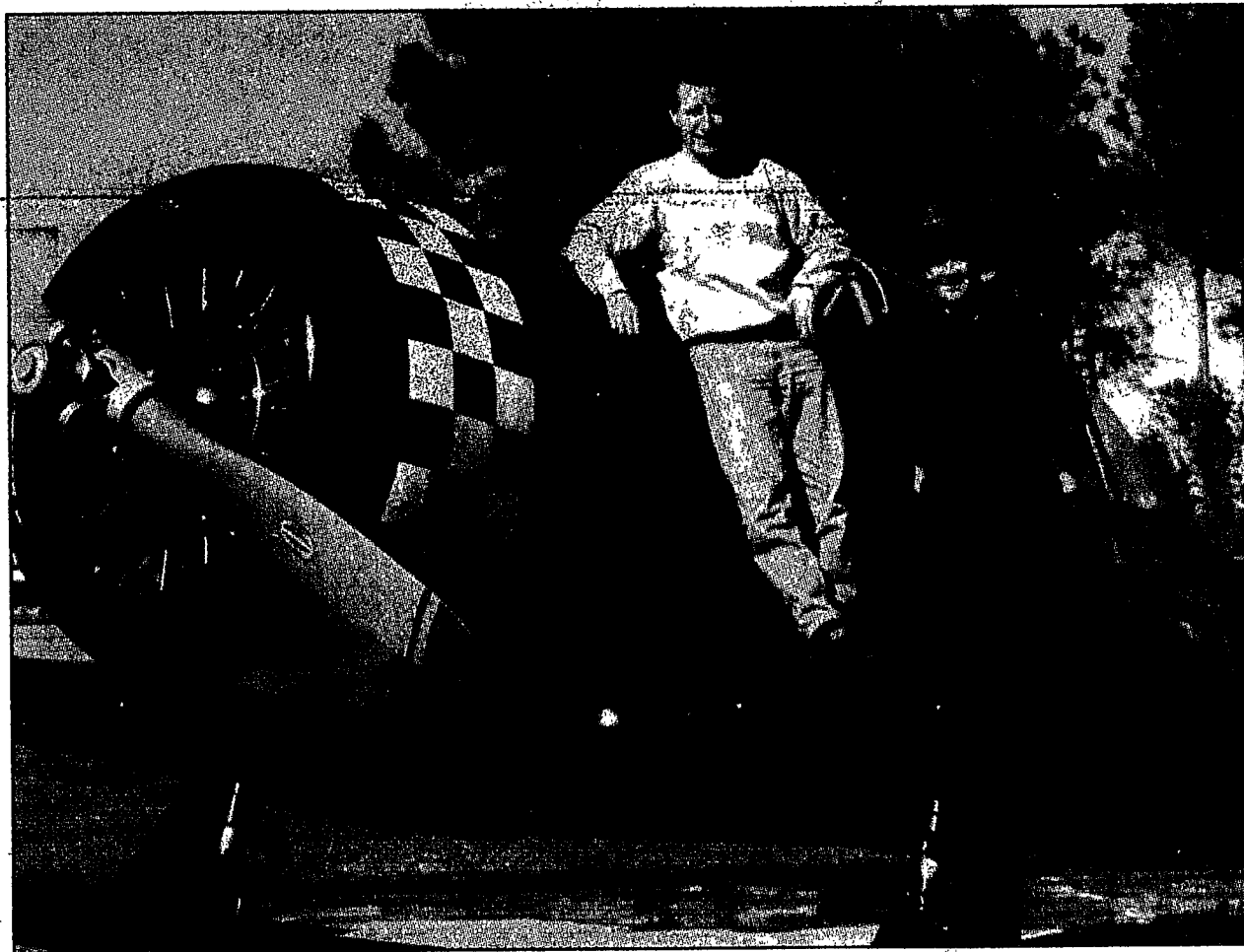
Murphy died in Pass Christian Saturday afternoon under bizarre circumstances which left his friends and family members in shock.

Harrison County Sheriff George H. Payne Jr. said in a prepared statement that

deputies were responding to a 911 call about an apparent break-in at 21680 Elm Rd. in Pass Christian, where they found Murphy, dead of a shotgun wound to the chest.

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THE PLANE TRUTH



Echo staff photo By Bennie Shallbetter
Ott Clermont and Rusty Pemastus, modern day barnstormers, with their T-6 aircraft offering rides at Stennis International Airport this week.

MODERN-DAY BARNSTORMERS TEARING UP THE TURF AT STENNIS

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Pilot and instructor Ott Clermont and colleague Rusty Pemastus, visiting here from West Virginia, are doing their own modern day version of barnstorming. The pair will be at

Stennis International Airport until January 22 offering rides and thrills to locals, just as their predecessors did in 1920's America.

After World War I, many returning pilots, with their new found skill, traveled the country,

coaxing farmers to lend their fields for dare devil air shows, and for a price, many offered rides to the locals.

Clermont and Pemastus left their native West Virginia for warmer climates and are traveling back via the Gulf Coast, making stops at small airports along the way. They offer rides

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Bowling pro charged with embezzlement

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Following a lengthy investigation, a Picayune resident was arrested on January 10 and charged with embezzlement of over \$140,000, Sheriff Steve Garber reports.

"Sam R. Cittadino III, 37, residing at 170 Pea Road, Picayune, was arrested and charged with the alleged embezzlement of over \$140,000

from the Park Ten Bowling Alley in Diamondhead, where he was a previous employee," Garber said.

A tip was received about the whereabouts of Cittadino, and he was arrested at a Slidell bowling alley. He was later released on a \$50,000 bond from the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility, Garber's report

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Dozens of area public officials and business leaders attended the annual Gulf Coast Chamber's legislative reception in Jackson Tuesday. Pictured are Hancock Tax Collector/Assessor Jimmie Ladner; PRCC President William Lewis and Bay St. Louis attorney Mike Haas.

Echo staff photo by Randy Ponder

Garber, Ladner to face prior opponents

PETERSON, RANDOLPH,
BOURGEOIS ALL OPTING
FOR RE-ELECTION BIDS

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

A total of 24 candidates had qualified in Hancock County at the Circuit Clerk's office since January 2 for local offices as of 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, according to Circuit Clerk Pam Metzler.

The Hancock County Sheriff's and Superintendent of Education races appear to be heating up with three candidates thus far qualifying.

In the sheriff's race, incumbent Steve Garber

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Garber



Ladner

Police warn of 'suspicious' vehicle following young girls home

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The Bay St. Louis Police Department has issued an advisory to be on the lookout for a suspicious vehicle in the area. The vehicle, described as a white truck bearing a front license plate which says "I love cowboys," with the word "love" being

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Main St. Methodist celebrates 150 years

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Main Street United Methodist Church will celebrate over 150 years in Bay St. Louis with special services on January 26, 27 and 28, Pastor Rick Brooks reports.

Guest pastor will be the Rev. Keith Tonkel. He grew up in Bay St. Louis and was called to preach at Main Street Methodist.

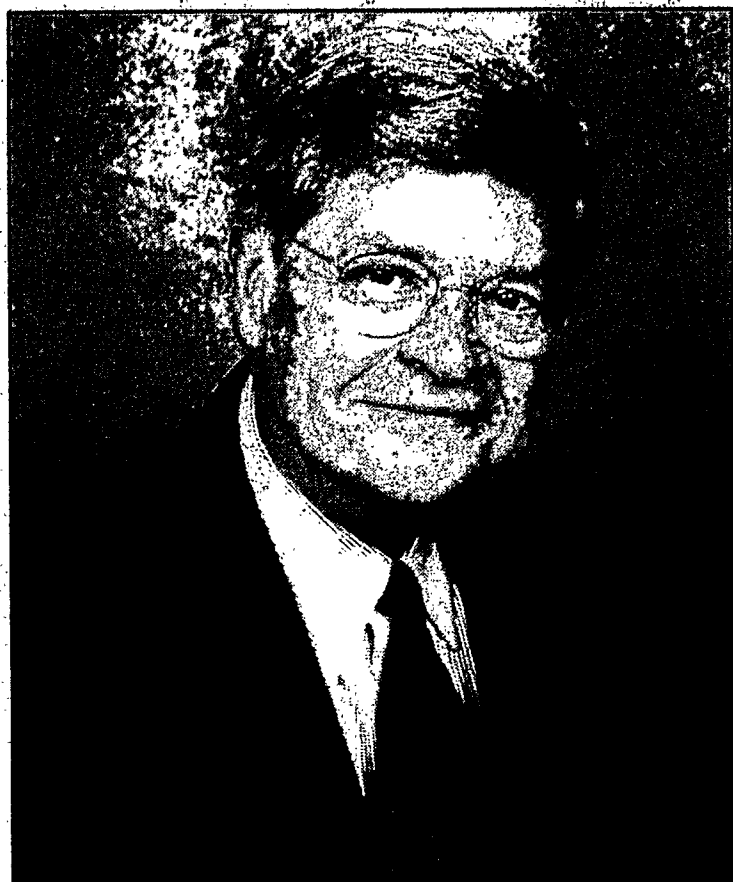
During the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services, the history of Methodism in Bay St. Louis and Hancock County will be celebrated.

A potluck dinner will follow the 11 a.m. service on Sunday.

Special services will be led by Rev. Tonkel at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 26-28.

Tonkel is a graduate of Bay High School, Millsaps College (BA Philosophy), and Emory University (MDiv. Theology), and completed a psychiatric residency at Georgia Baptist Hospital.

Tonkel has served as pastor of Wells United Methodist Church in Jackson since June, 1969. He was licensed as a local preacher in the Methodist



Rev. Keith Tonkel

Church in 1954 and ordained an elder in 1962.

During his tenure at Wells Methodist, a church that has maintained an active witness to its inner-city neighborhood in transition, he has had the oppor-

tunity to accept invitations to conduct revivals, seminars and camp meetings across the continental United States and other countries. He leads an average of 18 revivals each year, primarily in Louisiana and

Mississippi.

Tonkel currently serves as Sunday School teacher and ministerial advisor of The United Methodist Church, which is seen on television stations throughout Mississippi and the Southeast.

Brooks said, "The roots and heritage of this congregation run deep since its formation in 1852. We celebrate what God has done through these many years, as we also look forward with excitement to what the future holds."

"It is fitting that Rev. Keith Tonkel, whom I have known for many years, will be coming home to help his childhood church celebrate over 150 years in Bay St. Louis," Brooks added.

Tonkel served as a student pastor at Springdale Methodist Church in Jackson, and later, during a period of recovery from cancer, as director of education at Fondren Presbyterian Church in Jackson. He served as pastor of Guinn Memorial Methodist Church in Gulfport for seven years before his present assignment.

During his years at

Guinn Memorial in Gulfport, he began serving as a single foster parent for children under the jurisdiction of the Harrison Youth Court. In 1968, he acquired a partner in that effort—and a larger ministry—by marrying Patsy Joyce Myrick. Their children include Shelley Tonkel, Tracy Tonkel, and Anthony Tonkel Pucket. Several foster children are still active in family life.

Tonkel is the son of the late Dennie Lindsey Tonkel, a drummer in numerous nationally known bands, who performed in New Orleans and along the Gulf Coast, and the former Louise Franz Richter, who now lives in Gulfport.

Rev. Brooks said, "This is not only a celebration for members of Main Street United Methodist, but also for the community. Everyone is invited and urged to attend this great celebration."

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Every dish is freshly prepared to order and the portions are more than generous. Take for example the fried green tomatoes with cucumber sauce or the fried eggplant with crab fingers and shrimp with hollandaise for only \$6.95. Be sure to try the spinach-artichoke dip served hot with chips for only \$4.99. Seafood gumbo, some of the best I've ever had, is available daily as well as a soup of the day.

If you are trying to eat light, order one of Southern Delights' fantastic salads. Boiled shrimp salad, grilled or fried shrimp salad, or the grilled, fried or blackened chicken salad are all excellent choices.

Southern Delights also grills steaks! Choose a 8 oz or 12 oz ribeye prepared to perfection served with a loaded potato and salad for a reasonable \$12.49 for the 8 oz and only \$15.95 for the 12 oz. Look for steak specials in the weekly ad that appears in Thursday's Sea Coast Echo.

Southern Delights has some of the most delicious specialty dishes such as the snapper, the grilled tuna or the stuffed crab platter. A very popular dish is Favre's own seafood medley: perfectly prepared marinara laced with shrimp, crawfish and crab served over pasta. The fried seafood plates are generous, especially the Seafood Platter. It consists of catfish, shrimp, oysters and frog legs, delicately fried to a golden brown, delicious! Of course Southern Delights serves all of your favorite traditional po-boys and sandwiches, and some not so traditional like the portabella mushroom sandwich. (You just have to try it, it's really good!) Try the grilled chicken sandwich with onions, mushrooms and swiss served on a Kaiser roll with french fries. Favre

selects a lunch and a dinner special which changes daily except on Mondays, that's red beans and rice day, of course. And what better to top off a great meal than a delicious home-made dessert! The bread pudding with rum walnut sauce is fantastic as is the strawberry pecan cake, hummingbird cake or the banana pudding.

Lunch is served Monday through Saturday and dinner is served Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

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OUT TO LUNCH (IN A GOOD WAY)



The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's monthly 'Dutch Lunch' was held at the Cajun Connection in the Kiln on Tuesday. About 40 people attended the event including area firefighters who discussed fire insurance rates in the county. Lunches will be held every second Tuesday of the month. Call the Chamber for details. Pictured are Pearlington Fire Chief Kim Jones, standing; and seated from left are Chamber Director Tish Williams, Hancock County Sheriff Steve Garber, Sheriff's Investigator Bob Underwood, Bay St. Louis Fire Chief Bobby Gavagnie and Kiln business owner Lauly Peterson.

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A placement test will be administered on Saturday, January 18, 2003, at 9:30 AM for boys seeking enrollment in the seventh or eighth grade classes at Saint Stanislaus for the 2003-2004 academic year. The cost of the test is \$8.

For additional information about Saint Stanislaus College, or to register for the day student placement test, please contact Mrs. Dolores Richmond at 228-467-9057 ext 227.

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Illegal alien flees during multi-agency border check

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
 Publisher Emeritus

Hancock County Sheriff's officers, along with Bay St. Louis and Waveland Police officers, Border Patrol officers, U.S. Customs agents, State Game wardens, Mississippi State Troopers and FBI agents, were all involved in the search for an illegal alien Friday, who fled a Border Patrol bus, accord-

ing to Sheriff Steve Garber.

Garber said the incident occurred when a Border Patrol agent was making a routine visa and passport check of passengers on a Greyhound at a Highway 603 bus stop.

"During the check around 9:30 a.m., a passenger fled into the woods. Other agency officers were called to help in the search.

Around 12:30 p.m. the suspect, apparently from Pakistan, was spotted at a nearby business and taken into custody by the Border Patrol," Garber reported.

The subject was later found to have been in this country as an illegal alien since his visa had expired in 1983, reports say.

Krewe of Diamondhead planning 2003 parade

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Parade Lieutenant Ray Sheehy has started his planning for the 2003 parade that will kick off at noon on Saturday, March 1. Participants who would like to enter a float, marching unit, golf cart, or any unit you may want to enter, are encouraged to contact

Ray Sheehy at 255-6922 or e-mail at kreweofdhp@com for an application.

The parade started over 20 years ago mainly with golf carts. Owners of golf carts are asked to enter their carts this year. The theme is "Celebrate America," so decorate your

unit and enter the parade.

"Each unit must have their own insurance, and the application must be submitted by Feb. 18. This is a family parade and one of the largest on the Coast, so come join us on March 1 and share in the fun with your family and friends," said Sheehy.

Hancock NAACP Black History program

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The Twentieth Annual Thomas P. Clark Memorial Black History Month Program sponsored by the Hancock County Branch NAACP will be held on Saturday, Feb. 15, at 1 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot. Any county resident between the ages of 9-19 years old is eligible to participate.

Participants may register by calling Donna Holton at 466-0973 or Goldie

Fairconnetue at 467-4126. Registration is a must and the deadline is Feb. 8.

Participants must also be present for one of two dress Rehearsals which will be

held at St. Rose Church Parish Center in Bay St. Louis. Rehearsals will be held on Friday, Feb. 7 or Wednesday, Feb. 12 between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m.

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The Pass Christian Art Association will meet January 18 at 10 a.m. in the Community Room of the Pass Christian Public Library. Please note the new time for the meeting.

The guest artist will be Vicki Lever Niolet, and her presentation will be "Preliminaries of Paper Making."

Guests are welcome to attend the meeting, and refreshments will be served. For more, call Dot Copeland at 466-0069.

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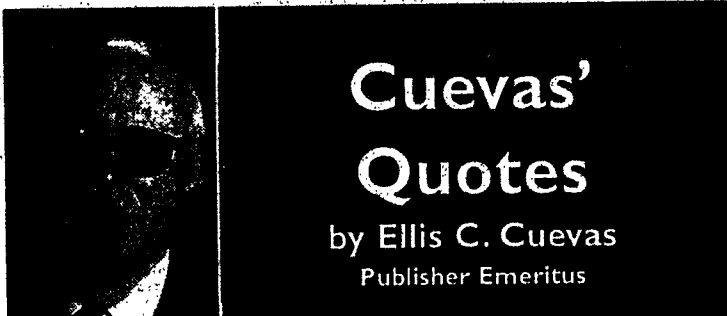
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OPINION

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Feeling crabby? Help the DMR

Do not forget the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours this evening from 5 to 7 p.m.

Sponsor is Hancock Bank (Bay 90) Branch, Highway 90, Bay St. Louis.

There will be door prizes, very good snacks and refreshments. The event is open to chamber members and guests.

By the way, do not forget to bring along a couple of business cards for the drawings.

The Department of Marine Resources is seeking adult volunteers for a great program to take place on Saturday, January 25.

The day has been set aside for volunteers to help remove abandoned crab pots (traps) from area waters.

Volunteers can be from recreational as well as commercial boaters.

Over the years I have heard many shrimpers complain about catching a rusted-out crab pot in a trawl and having to spend an hour or more to remove it from a net piece by piece.

This causes the shrimper to lose valuable time.

Years back, I did lots of fishing and can recall losing some lures and good fishing lines by snagging an abandoned crab pot. Sometimes we could get a trap to the boat and, even without bait, there would be a few crabs in them.

After a crab pot is in the water for sometime, it collects all types of growth and can become very heavy.

Volunteers will need to sign a waiver of liability form and will be asked to fill out a data card documenting the number of traps retrieved and bycatch information, such as numbers and types of fish and other marine life found in the recovered traps.

To sign up, contact Traci Floyd, DMR, 228-374-5000.

A check-in and drop site will be at the Bayou Caddy Launching Ramp.

The collected traps will be recycled by DMR.

Crabbing season was closed on Tuesday and remains closed through January 25. Crabbers may remove their traps during the first seven days of the closed season.

DMR began removing derelict traps in 2000, but this is the first time for them to close the crab season and focus on submerged traps rather than those in the marsh areas or exposed by low tides.

It is amazing, yet gratifying, to see the numbers of folks using our library facilities in Hancock County.

Just think, in the last fiscal year, October 2001 to September 2002, there were 90,000 visits to our libraries, which was a 13% increase over the prior year.

Over a quarter of a million borrowing transactions were recorded, which was a record too. Becoming a very popular item is *Read It On The Road*. The systems new collection of books on CD. During its first month of availability, more than 600 books on CD were borrowed.

For sure, Hancock County's Library System has come a long way from which I can remember it as being on the second floor of Hancock Bank and them in a couple rooms on Court Street in Bay St. Louis.

Lots of dedication and supporting folks are responsible for this tremendous growth.

This is about money, and a fiscal crisis

This is about money. Namely, money to operate state services in Mississippi at an acceptable level. This is about a fiscal crisis.

We're in the same boat with 40 other states who are in the red, varying only by shades of red. In some big states the deficit is in the billions (\$36 billion in California for instance).

Depending on how you calculate it, Mississippi is roughly short \$500 million in meeting its obligated state services, including what is known in the Legislature as "built-ins" mandated by either state or federal law.

Mississippi's problem is

that we have a much thinner tax base and sources of funding than most other states to pull us out of our fiscal crisis. That means we either have to increase tax rates, or make even more draconian budget cuts than those made the last two years.

Here's a little history leading up to how we got into our present fiscal stew:

* During the 1990s we enjoyed greater prosperity and collected more revenues than anytime in state history.

* While we spent practically all we took in, we did fund some long-starved state services and expand a few others; however we held

back 2 per cent of revenues for rainy-day use.

* Here's the shocker: While nobody seemed to be paying attention, the state bonded debt was more than quadrupled.

So, while on one hand the state took in - and spent 98 per cent - of our revenue bonanza during the last decade at the same time we also borrowed over \$1 billion (yes, billion) for capital outlay at state institutions, and for economic development.

Mind you, Mississippi did practically all of this during the "conservative" Republican reign of Kirk Fordice.

Because of the 90s bond binge, plus bonds issued the past two years (remember we didn't get Nissan for free) the cost of servicing state debt has risen 600 per-

cent between 1993 and 2003.

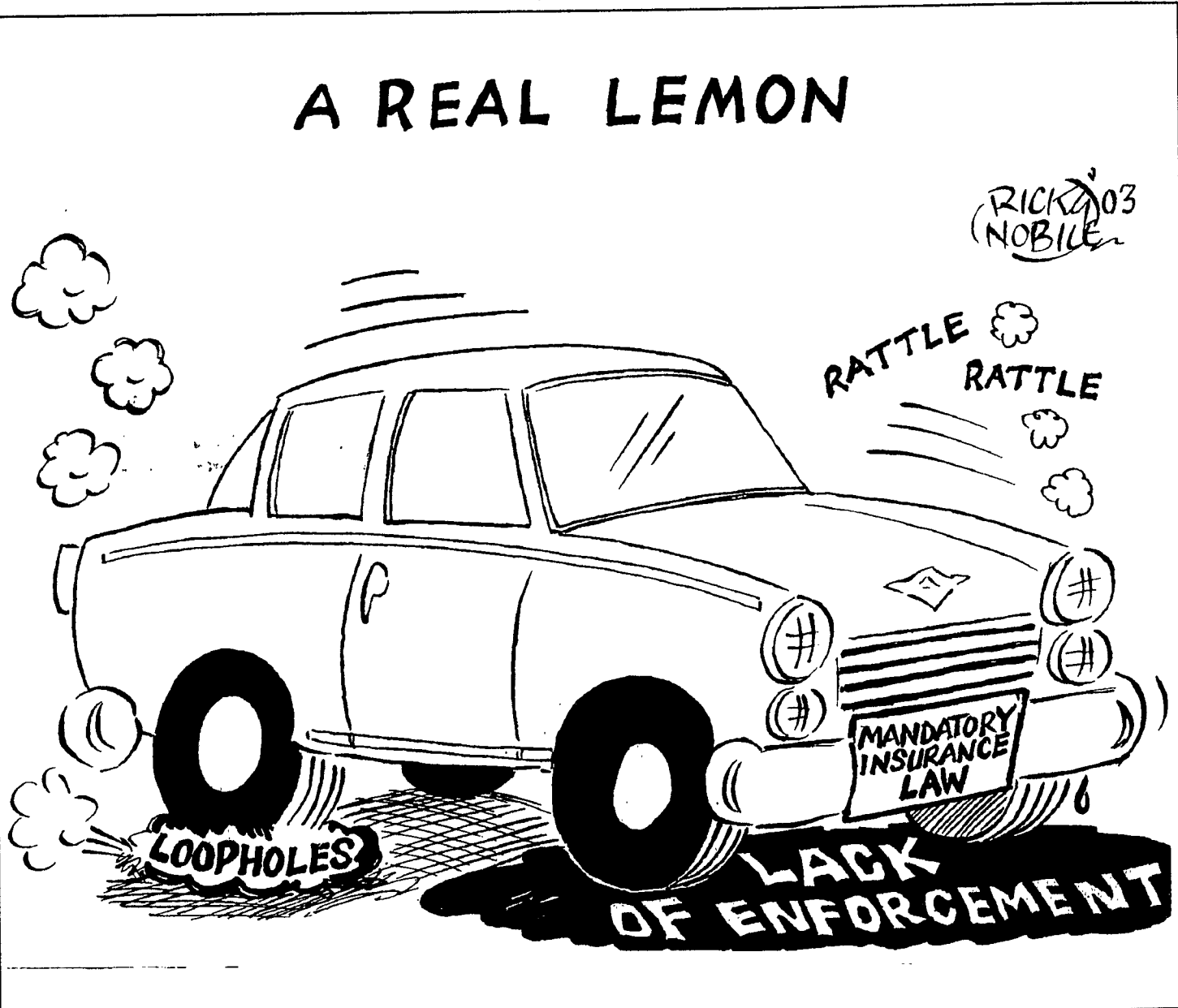
In FY 2004, with Mississippi in its third year of revenue shortfall, the state must plank out - get ready for this - \$341 million just to pay the debt service on outstanding general obligation and economic development bonds.

That \$341 million is as much as the Legislature appropriates from the general fund for the huge Medicaid program - the state's vitally important social service program providing health care for many thousands of needy people. (Remember, one-quarter of all Mississippians are on food stamps.)

Lawmakers have put Medicaid on short rations, having to shore it up with



Eyes on Mississippi
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Faith determines fate

Some people think our lives are just happenstance. They believe our fate is determined by random events which have no real rhyme or reason and our world and life itself is just an accident.

I am not one of those people. I believe that faith determines fate. I believe life was created by a purposeful maker. I believe our world and our lives have meaning.

In my experience, things happen for a reason - part of a plan which we humans may not see in totality, but nevertheless a plan that is partially dependent on how we individually respond to the inevitable twists, turns and trials of life.

I thought a lot about faith and fate during the difficult times of the past month. A poor choice of words which I made at a simple off-the-cuff event were interpreted in a way which I, the speaker of those words, never

intended for them. Nevertheless, those words hurt a lot of people, particularly African Americans - many of whom are my dear friends. I very much regret that.

Contrary to the way those words were interpreted, in my 30 years of public service, my goal has always been to build a better Mississippi.

I've sought to benefit the lives of all Mississippians regardless of race, economic background, religious, regional differences or any other factors by which we on the surface differ.

Demographics aside, I believe that below the surface, we Mississippians have much more in common than uncommon. We are a close-knit, family oriented people of a poor state that is struggling to advance on many fronts.

We have done a better job of improvement than most states, particularly in racial

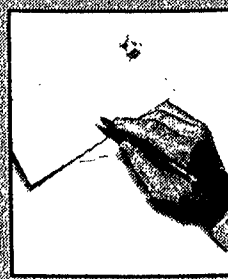


From the Senate
By U.S. Sen. Trent Lott

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



reconciliation. In my view, we deserve much more credit than we get from many of our fellow Americans who often are quick to use Mississippi and Mississippians to accomplish a personal agenda.

Despite our past problems, Mississippians now have momentum, and we are together on the verge of achieving great things.

Therefore, my duty right now is to continue serving you as a Senator for Mississippi during this key time, using my long experience as a legislator and leader.

I will continue employing my personal contacts and

lawmaking skills to help secure needed projects and new jobs which together will advance our state.

From new roads and bridges to new educational opportunities and industrial recruitment, Mississippi is moving forward, and I plan to move forward with our state as your Senator.

I love Mississippi more than the Senate Majority Leader's chair, and I will always put our state first. I am recommitted to representing Mississippians of all backgrounds, forcefully and equally in the U.S. Senate.

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The Exchange Club of Hancock County recently presented the Hancock County Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse with a check for \$5000. The money was raised during a drawdown the club sponsored on behalf of the Center. Pictured from left: Cathy Treutel, Hancock Bank; Linda Graffeo, Hancock Bank; Laurie Johnson, Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse; David Bassett, CPA; Kelly Balevey, Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse; Marilyn Finch, Whitney Bank; and Pete Graffeo, Pete's Plumbing. Boards members, not present: Michael Haas, Jr.; Courtney Thomas; Josh DeSalvo; and Bill Stechmann.



Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre recently addressed Hancock County Exchange Club on the state of the city. Also pictured is Linda Graffeo (of Hancock Bank), president of the Exchange Club.

Divorce/grief recovery workshops

If you are having difficulty coping with the aftermath of a divorce or a death, the Divorce Recovery Workshop or the Grief Recovery Workshop may offer just the help you need.

New 12-week sessions of both programs begin Thursday, Jan. 23, at First United Methodist Church in downtown Gulfport on the corner of 15th Street and 24th Avenue (across from Gulfport City Hall).

Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$35 for the entire session. Free child care is provided.

Group members support each other as they work

through their loss together. Groups are led by trained facilitators who have themselves been through the loss process.

The Broken Rainbow program for children begins Monday, Jan. 27, in the Education Building on 15th Street and 23rd Avenue.

The program runs for 10 weeks and offers a Single Parenting workshop during the same time. The cost is \$35 per family (free to the families of Divorce Recovery or Grief Recovery participants). For information on any of the programs, call Rev. Johnnie Lampkin at (228) 863-0047.

Gulf National Seashore eyes use of personal watercraft

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Gulf Islands National Seashore Superintendent Jerry Eubanks announced that two public scoping meetings have been scheduled to consider the use of personal watercraft (PWC) within Seashore boundaries:

- Tuesday, January 28, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., Naval Live Oaks Visitor Center, 1801 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, FL 32563

- Thursday, January 30, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., William M. Colmer Visitor Center, 3500 Park Road, Ocean Springs, MS 39564

The meetings will be open-house forum and the public will have an opportunity to provide input on a range of alternatives concerning the management of PWC use within the park.

The National Park Service will consider various alternatives ranging from the no action alternative which would continue the current ban on all PWC use to unrestricted use as it existed prior to April, 2002.

Alternatives will be developed which will consider effects on water quality, air quality, soundscapes, wildlife, wildlife habitat, shoreline vegetation; visitor

conflicts, safety, visitor use, and other issues identified by the public.

PWC use was banned in the park in April, 2002 and the Seashore remains closed to PWC use in accordance with the national final rule until such time as a determination is made whether a special regulation to allow some level of use is appropriate.

The evaluation of PWC use at Gulf Islands National Seashore is part of a service-wide evaluation process that began in 1998 when the National Park Service (NPS) published a proposed regulation to eliminate PWC use in most of the national park system. After public input on the proposed regulation, NPS published the final regulation in March 2000.

In response to the PWC final rule, Bluewater Network sued the National Park Service which resulted in a settlement agreement in April, 2001.

The settlement agreement stipulates that NPS parks considering long-term PWC use must issue a park-specific special regulation based upon an environmental analysis of impacts to park resources.

In April of 2002 National

Park Service Deputy Director Randy Jones announced that 16 sites, including Gulf Islands National Seashore, would proceed with special regulations as required by the national PWC rule (36 CFR 3.24), finalized in April 2000.

Jones stated, "We are committed to protecting the National Park System's cultural and natural resources, so if personal watercraft are allowed at a site, it may be restricted to certain areas of that site."

This special regulation process will include conducting an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement under the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act, preparing an economic analysis, and seeking public comment on the proposed rule and supporting documents.

For persons who may not be able to attend the public meetings, comments may be sent electronically to guis@den.nps.gov or they may be sent by regular mail to:

Superintendent, Gulf Islands National Seashore, 1801 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32563.

Point Island Garden Club meets

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The Point Island Garden Club met Jan. 7 in the Sewer Board Building.

Helen Foster, chairperson for Christmas Tree Decorating at the library, was congratulated for the club winning a blue ribbon in the Best Community Organization category.

The chairperson for the judging of the Christmas Decorating Contest gave a report of the winners for the mailboxes and yards and the prizes for the winners.

A sample copy of the club's cookbook was viewed by members. It will be duplicated for sale to members and others.

The club will receive a plaque from Shell Oil Company to install in the park for the Sept. 11 Memorial Tree. This ceremony will take place on

Arbor Day in February.

Some members and spouses will be going to the Quail Farm in Lacombe Jan. 28.

The by-laws were reviewed and passed. Copies will be made for each member.

The president informed members that a person from the State Garden Club will be attending one of the club's meetings before May to discuss the national convention at the Beau Rivage May 19-21. The club will make a donation to assist with expenses.

The Mississippi Garden Clubs are hosting the convention. The theme will be "Celebrate Southern Style."

The Garden of the Month Award for January is that of Carole and Russell

Cunningham at 203 Livingston Dr.

There was no program because the speaker had to cancel due to job responsibilities.

The next meeting will be Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. in the Sewer Board Building.

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Staying focused leads Rodriguez to successful NASA career

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Growing up in Santurce, Puerto Rico, Miguel Rodriguez knew at age 17 that he wanted to work in America's space program. Little could he have known then that staying focused on that goal would lead him to become director of NASA's Center Operations Directorate at Stennis Space Center, where he is responsible for the center's institutional services. Rodriguez recalls being inspired during the Apollo days: "I remember watching, on a black-and-white TV with a snowy picture, the first footstep being made on the Moon. I saw that and said to myself, 'Wouldn't it be nice to work for NASA?'"

Staying on course to achieve his goal, Rodriguez studied to become a mechanical engineer, graduating in 1976 from the University of Puerto Rico Engineering College in Mayaguez Puerto Rico. A year before Rodriguez graduated, NASA representatives visited the university to recruit career candidates.

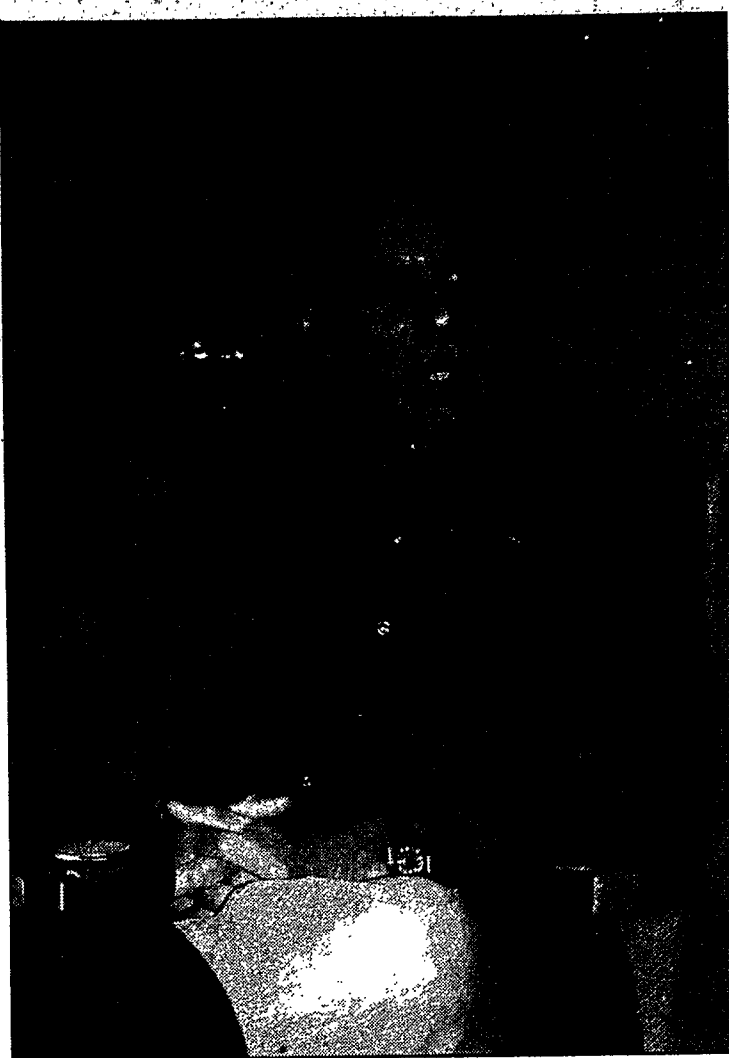
With one more year ahead of him at the university, Rodriguez took a chance and spoke with the recruiters, only to find that all the interview slots were filled. "I said, 'This is not good.'"

Determined, he placed his name on the overflow list and was eventually called for an interview. He recalls speaking with representatives from all 10 NASA centers and feeling uneasy about his chances of being selected.

"There were three of us interviewed at the same time. I looked at the two others; one was president of the American Society for Mechanical Engineers, student chapter; I was the vice president. I figured if they picked one, it would be him, not me." He and the president of the student chapter, however, were offered positions at NASA.

Upon graduation in 1976, Rodriguez moved to Huntsville, Ala., and went to work at Marshall Space Flight Center as a mechanical design engineer designing parts for the Space Shuttle. In November 1978, he transferred to Kennedy Space Center (KSC), Fla., where he held several key positions working with facilities, providing the capabilities for processing shuttle payloads, and testing experiments as well as communication satellites.

During his career in the payload community, Rodriguez worked as the integration engineer for the



Miguel Rodriguez

STS-31 Hubble Space Telescope payload and worked on several special projects for NASA, including leading the organizational efforts for Strategic Planning and Performance-Based Contracting.

He led a KSC team to develop a tool for capturing employee competencies and skills in support of the Agency Core Capabilities Assessment. He also worked for the chief engineer at NASA Headquarters, Washington, D.C., where he helped implement the Systems Management Office.

He co-chaired the Kennedy Space Center 2000 Organizational Team responsible for restructuring the human resources organization.

Rodriguez entered management in the late 1980s, most recently serving as chief of the Integration Office of the Cape Canaveral Spaceport Management Office at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. He moved to Stennis in December 2002 to assume his current leadership position.

"I have known and worked with Miguel for a number of years, and he brings a wealth of experience to Stennis," said Bill Parsons, Stennis' center director. "I am pleased to have him on board and to work with him in implementing Administrator Sean O'Keefe's One NASA initiative."

Pursuing the career Rodriguez dreamed of as a teen has been rewarding for him. His parents, both deceased, lived to see their son achieve lofty aspirations.

"It's not very often that we have an opportunity to pay back our parents and see them experience the joy of the effort they spent bringing you up and sending you to college," he said. "I felt that I was able to give them something they could truly enjoy."

To honor his heritage, Rodriguez is active in the Hispanic community, serving as a mentor and frequent speaker. He hopes to see more Hispanics join NASA's ranks. He tells young people of all backgrounds to follow their dreams.

"If you have an interest in working for NASA, stay on track with your schoolwork and be persistent. You can work for NASA. You just have to make it your priority."

He said the work is worth the effort. "There is no better agency you can work for. NASA is very proactive. It moves along with changes and trends in management. What entices me the most is having an opportunity to help choose my own career path."

Rodriguez lives in Mandeville, La., with his wife, Zulma. The couple's daughter, Sonia, 25; and son, Jorel, 21; live in Florida.

Donors desperately needed to boost community blood supply

THE SEA COAST ECHO

With the demand for blood currently outpacing collections, The Blood Center is urging all eligible donors to give blood.

Traditionally, one of the highest months of the year for blood usage, January 2003 has already witnessed blood shortages across the country.

Compounding the situation locally, deferrals are up 5% making it more difficult to collect the necessary blood and blood components to supply our area hospitals.

"Due to new travel restrictions and the flu season, more people are getting turned away," said Dr. Tim Paterson, medical director of The Blood Center. "The challenge then becomes we need to see even more donors in order to maintain an adequate blood supply."

Currently The Blood Center is operating at 29% of normal inventory with less than 30 pints of type O on the shelf. In order to maintain a stable community blood supply, The Blood

Center must collect at least 350 pints a day.

According to Vice President of Hospital and Community Resources Billy Weales, importing would be next to impossible due to shortages in most other areas of the nation. "That's why patients really are relying on the generosity of this community to come out and donate," Weales said.

The supply and demand for blood fluctuates continuously throughout the year. Blood only has a shelf life of 42 days and platelets only 5, which means it constantly has to be replenished.

January is also National Blood Donor Awareness Month, the perfect time for those who have never donated to begin.

Anyone in good health, 17 years or older and weighing at least 110 pounds is eligible to donate blood. Donating blood is relatively simple, takes less than an hour, and each time can help up to three area patients.

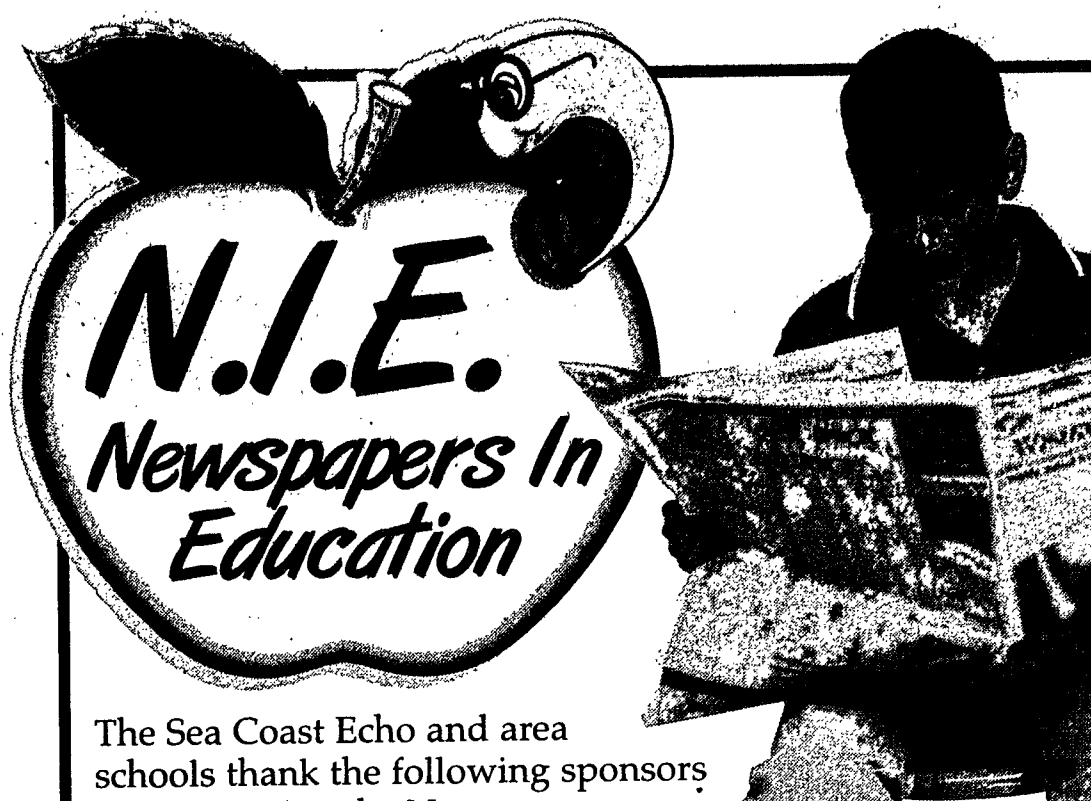
Locally, donors can visit

the Ocean Springs Donor Center located at 1599 Bienville Boulevard or call 872-7713 for a mobile blood drive location.

CMR meets

The January meeting of the Commission on Marine Resources (CMR) will be Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 9 a.m. in the public meeting room of the Bolton Building, 1141 Bayview Ave., Biloxi.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit online at www.dmr.state.ms.us.



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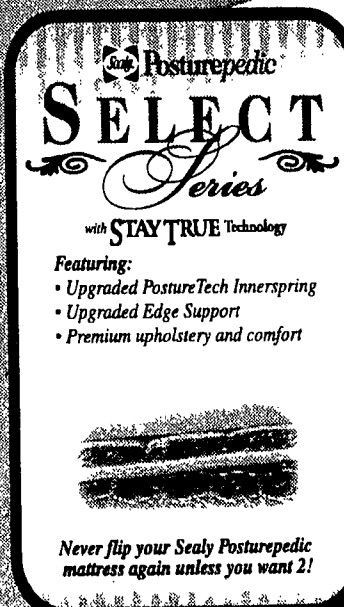
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Election -- qualifying

faces the challenge of five-term Sheriff Ronnie Peterson, who was edged by Garber in a close race in the 1999 Democratic primary, in addition to Bay St. Louis Patrolman Richard (Rick) Fayard. Garber and Peterson are Democrats, and Fayard is a Republican.

Two former superintendents of education will be trying to unseat incumbent Mike Ladner for the county's top educational seat.

Ladner is being challenged by longtime Superintendent of Education Terrell Randolph, whom he defeated in the 1999 general election; in addition to former Superintendent Myrna Bourgeois, who defeated Randolph in 1991 and served as superintendent from 1992-96. Bourgeois lost to Ladner in the August 1999 primary. Bourgeois and Ladner are Democrats and Randolph is

Republican.

The primary elections will be held on Aug. 5, with Aug. 26 set as the second primary (run-off) date.

The qualifying deadline is 5 p.m. February 28, and that includes candidates for primary elections in August and Independent candidates who will be in the November general election.

The list of candidates as they qualified includes:

- Pamela Thomas Metzler* - circuit clerk.
- Jimmie Ladner, Jr.* - tax-assessor/collector.
- Timothy A. (Tim) Kellar* - chancery clerk.
- Myrna L. Bourgeois* - superintendent of education.
- Steve Seymour* - board of supervisors, district four.
- Jay Cuevas* - board of supervisors, district five.
- Lyonie (Jeep) Ladner Sr.* - board of supervisors, district one.

- Roderrick (Rocky) Pullman* - board of supervisors, district two.

- Steve Garber - sheriff*.
- Phillip A. Pavolini* - constable, district one.
- Lisa L. Cowand** - board of supervisors, district three.

- Eric Moran, Sr.* - constable, district three.

- James A. (Jay) Lagasse, III* - justice court judge, district two.

- William A. Quandt** - board of supervisors, district one.

- Ray Seal* - constable, district two.

- Ronald A. (Ronnie) Peterson* - sheriff.

- Mike Ladner* - superintendent of education.

- Norma Stiglet* - coroner (medical examiner).

- Wayne Whitney* - board of supervisors, district four.

- Bobby Glover** - board of supervisors, district four.

- Richard (Rick) Fayard** - sheriff.

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- David Yarborough* - board of supervisors, district one.

- Terrell Randolph** - superintendent of education.

- Terry Necaise* - constable, district one.

Note: (*)denotes Democrat and (**) denotes Republican.

Lagasse, a former election commissioner, is seeking the new justice court judge position in district two.

Seal is seeking the new position of constable, district two.

Following the election, Hancock County will have three constable and three justice court judge positions.

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Shooting -- Murphy

"The preliminary investigation revealed that Murphy, who did not reside at the residence, had forced entry into the residence armed with a handgun and held the residents at gunpoint," Payne said in the report. "Murphy wounded a juvenile in the leg before being shot by one of the victims."

Harrison County Sheriff's Investigator Carl Rhodes said that the homeowner, Debbie Stevenson, told police on the scene that Murphy was an acquaintance who had driven her home from a friend's house. She said he came in for a drink, but began acting agitated, prompting her to call 911. Murphy left the house

after Stevenson's teen-age son and a friend arrived home, but Stevenson said her son saw him get a gun from his truck. The three ran upstairs and hid in a closet, she said, where he found them and fired a shot into her son's leg.

Harrison County Coroner Gary Hargrove said yesterday that an autopsy had

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been performed, and preliminary results are consistent with Stevenson's account of the incident.

Rhodes said Wednesday that the matter is still under investigation. No charges have yet been filed.

Murphy is survived by two teen-aged daughters.

Bayside Fire Dept. gets \$50K grant

THE SEA COAST ECHO
Federal funding for three Mississippi fire departments is approved as part of the federal government's Assistance to Firefighters grant program, Senator Trent Lott said.

"Fire service is one of the most fundamental protections that communities can provide for their residents, complementing public safety, job creation and the overall quality-of-life in the affected areas," Lott said. "These grants are assisting rural fire departments in our state to enhance their abilities with new equipment that will protect firefighters and make the departments more effective."

The following departments from Mississippi have been announced in the 12th round of fire grants, to be administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the United States Fire Administration (USFA):

Harmony-Central Vol. Fire Dept. Iuka Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety, \$22,500

Central Clay Vol. Fire Dept. Cedar Bluff Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety, \$48,866

Bayside Vol. Fire Dept. Bay St. Louis Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety, \$56,768.

Bowling

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said. "A lot of investigative work has gone into this case because of the nature of the crime, and the investigation still continues. Matt Barnett is the lead investigator," Garber said.

Turkey shoot/auction

There will be a turkey shoot, auction and food at the VFW in Lakeshore this Saturday, Jan. 18, beginning at 11 a.m. Call 463-0711 for more information.

Suspicious

represented by a large red heart, is being driven by a man described to be between 30 and 40 years old with straight short brown hair and a "pointy face."

Observers were unable to see the rear license plate so it is unknown if the vehicle is local or not.

Chief Frank McNeil said Monday that there have been two reports of the vehicle's driver "acting in a suspicious manner." A young female reported having the vehicle follow her slowly along the street while she

was walking to a friend's house, McNeil said.

When the girl approached a house on the street as a cautionary measure, the vehicle stopped in front of the residence and the driver watched her before driving away, McNeil said. Later, the truck was observed parked in the driveway of another residence in the area, by the homeowner, who reported the incident.

These reports came from the general area of Dunbar Ave., Jackson Blvd., Felicity

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St. and Bay High School, McNeil, but warned residents should be on the lookout for suspicious activity in other areas, especially around schools.

"So far, the driver of the vehicle has committed no crime that we know of," said McNeil. "But we would like to know who this person is, whether they are local, and just what they are doing."

Please report this or any other suspicious activity to the Bay St. Louis Police Department at 467-9221.

Plane

and instruction in their T-6 aircraft, also known as an SNJ 4. About 17,000 of the aircraft were manufactured, but there are less than 100 flying today, Clermont said. Many are sitting in a barn somewhere.

The aircraft, a two seater with a 600 horse power Matt and Whitney engine, which cruises at 240 mph, can perform loops, rolls and fly upside down, depending on the desire and bravery of the passenger.

Most rides are around 30

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minutes, said Clermont. That is long enough to try a few stunts. Shorter and longer rides are available, as well as instruction. From here the pair go to Pensacola.

St. Paul's Carnival group hosts Surf and Turf, roast

The Nanette Carter and Robin Rafferty team for St. Paul's Carnival Association is sponsoring a Surf and Turf dinner and roast of State Rep. Jim Simpson

Saturday, Jan. 18 beginning at 6 p.m. in the school's gym, 151 E. Scenic Drive in Pass Christian. There will be food specially prepared by Joanne Hansen York, live

music by Hosey and Brown, and a silent auction. \$30 per person, \$50 per couple. For information, call Nanette at 452-3137 or Robin at 452-4643.

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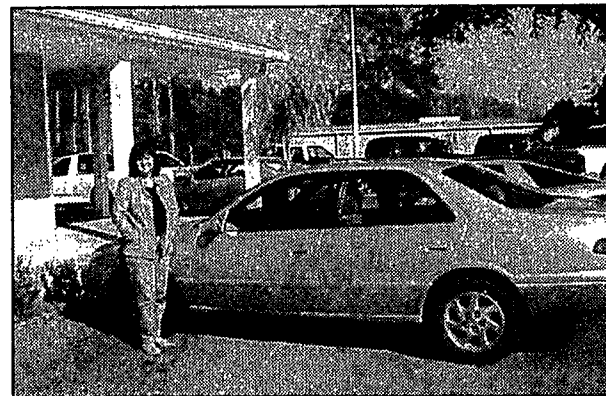
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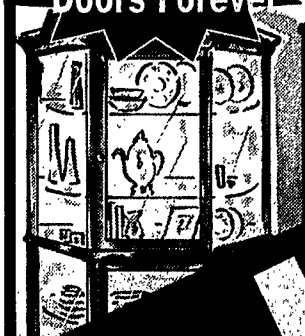
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Military Mention

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Air Force Airman Jo C. Marquez was graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

She is the daughter of Jose Marquez of Pass Christian and granddaughter of Esther Cedillo of Barstow, Calif.

Marquez is a 2002 graduate of Harrison Central High School, Gulfport.

AIRMAN JOHNSON

Air Force Airman Ashley M. Johnson was graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the

Community College of the Air Force.

She is the daughter of Michael Johnson Sr. of Shalimar, Fla., and granddaughter of Ophelia Raboteau of Bay St. Louis.

Johnson is a 2002 graduate of Choctawhatchee High School, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

AIRMAN SOLDINIE

Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Raymond J. Soldinie was graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Jody Soldinie of Waveland.

Soldinie is a 1999 graduate of Bay High School.

PO3 DONNER

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Shannon R. Donner, daughter of Juanita K. Donner of Bay St. Louis, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman

home ported in Norfolk, Va.

Donner is one of more than 8000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines aboard the ships and squadrons of the USS Harry S. Truman Carrier Battle Group.

Carriers such as USS Harry S. Truman are deployed throughout the world to maintain U.S. presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis.

Donner is a 1997 graduate of Kings Christian High School of Lemoore, Calif. and joined the Navy in January 2000.

PO1 BALLEW

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Christopher P. Ballew, son of Betty Ballew of Burnsville, N. C. and Louis Ladner of Pass Christian, recently completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the guided missile destroyer USS Laboon, home ported in Norfolk, Va.

Ballew is one of more than 10,000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines aboard the ships of the USS George Washington Carrier Battle Group and USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group.

During the deployment Ballew's ship visited the ports of Crete, Greece and Jebel Ali in the United Arab Emirates.

The crew had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the local culture and cuisine.

Ballew is a 1992 graduate of Charles D. Owen High School of Black Mountain, N. C. and joined the Navy in October 1992

Start 2003 calling your FSA office

The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) is encouraging all producers to contact their local FSA office or USDA Service Center as soon as possible to schedule an appointment to complete the Base and Yield Election for the new Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP) before the April 1 deadline.

The Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP) is designed to be an equitable means of assistance for growers of agricultural feeds and grains.

The numerous options available in the new DCP necessitate producers' review their farming operation and determine which plan is the best for them.

Producers can use computer-based analytical tools that were developed to assist them in choosing the best program applications for their operation.

The base and yield analyzer has been designed to evaluate a farm's historic data for updating farm bases and crop yields.

The complexity of the new program requires more time for producers to gain understanding, assemble the necessary information and make their decision, often involving several different commodities and unknown future market conditions.

For the sign-up process to proceed smoothly, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) urges producers to contact their local USDA Service Center early for an appointment.

By maintaining a constant flow of farmers through county offices, it is hoped that DCP enrollment can be accelerated to meet everyone's needs before the June 2 deadline.

Ensuring timely delivery of program benefits is a top priority for USDA, and is in the best interest of producers who require capital for their 2003 crop year.

Under the new farm bill, farmers have more options to choose from, and subsequently more decisions to make. FSA has conducted extensive outreach, educa-

tion, and training efforts on the 2002 Farm Bill to assist producers in making their program decisions to update bases and yields before the April 1 deadline.

The success of new farm programs will depend largely on the conscientious effort of participating farmers. FSA plans to utilize every resource available to enroll farmers in a program that best serves their individual agricultural operation.

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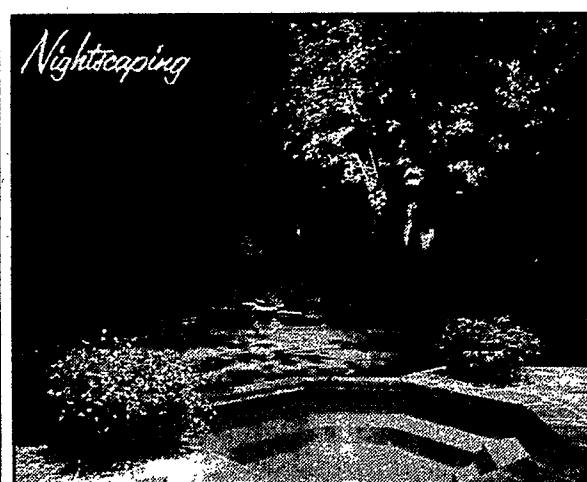
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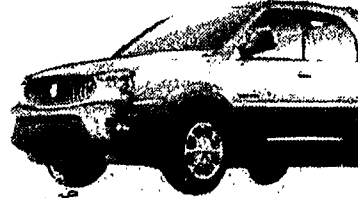
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Obituaries

WALTER BEEBE MILDRED FUENTE TIMOTHY MURPHY RAYMOND RICHARDSON

WALTER BEEBE
Walter Beebe, 71, of Diamondhead, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 2003, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Beebe was a native of Boyce, La., and a resident of Waveland and Diamondhead. He was of the Baptist faith. He was a member of Bay St. Louis Masonic Lodge #429 and American Legion Post #77 of Waveland. He was retired from Delta Air Lines after 28 years of service.

He was preceded in death by a son, William Beebe, and his parents, Thomas C. and Odile Robicheaux Beebe.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Reilly Beebe of Diamondhead; two sons, David Beebe of Diamondhead and Fred Beebe of Plattenville, La.; and one grandchild.

Visitation was Tuesday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by services and burial in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

MILDRED FUENTE

Mildred Barbara Fuente, 99, of Hattiesburg, died Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2003, in Hattiesburg.

Mrs. Fuente was a native of Kiln, a homemaker, and a member of St. Charles Catholic Church.

Survivors include sons Noel Fuente and wife Kathy of Bay St. Louis and Eddie Fuente and wife Lorie of Madison, Miss.; daughters Helena F. Smith of Hattiesburg, Mabel A. Ekes and husband Elvis of Richardson, Texas, and Barbara Vandervlies and husband Artur of Garland, Texas; 17 grandchildren, two stepgrandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, three stepgreat-grandchildren, nine great-great-grandchildren and a stepgreat-great-grandchild.

Visitation will be today, Jan. 16, 6-8 p.m. with Rosary at 7 p.m. in McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Charles Catholic Church in Picayune. Burial will be in Bayou Coco Cemetery.

TIMOTHY MURPHY

Timothy Daniel Murphy, 43, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 2003, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Murphy was a native of Frankfurt, Germany, and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis and the National Rifle Association.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dan Beverly Murphy.

Survivors include two daughters, Madison Murphy and Mallory Murphy, both of Bay St. Louis; his mother and step-father, Helen Murphy and Louis Decell of Bay St. Louis; three sisters, Beverly M. Grogg of Crestview, Fla., Mary M. Collins of Navarre, Fla., and Danelle Ramsel of Kiln; and four brothers, Kenneth Murphy, Ray J. Murphy, Audie R. Murphy, all of Bay St. Louis, and Mark Murphy of Patterson, N.J.

Visitation was Wednesday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis followed by celebration of a Mass of Christian Burial and interment in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, directed by Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

RAYMOND RICHARDSON

Raymond L. Richardson Sr., 73, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 2003, in Bay St. Louis.

He was born in Willow Springs, MO on October 29, 1929 and was a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 35 years. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis and served 24 years in the U.S. Air Force with tours that included Alaska, Japan, Thailand and Vietnam before retiring at Keesler Air Force Base. At the time of his death he was employed with Coast Transit Authority.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar and Iva Sigman Richardson; three brothers, Ellis, Clifford and Herbert Richardson.

Survivors include his wife, Norma Johnson Richardson of Bay St. Louis; four sons, Raymond Richardson Jr. and wife Robin of Meridian, Miss., Dave Richardson and wife Joy of Bay St. Louis, Mike Richardson and wife Amy of Bay St. Louis and Bobby Richardson and wife Melissa of Waveland; two daughters, Norma "Nounie" Richardson of Bay St. Louis, and Margie R. Schmitt and husband Brian of Waveland; and 12 grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis, followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel and interment in Biloxi National Cemetery with military honors.

The family prefers donations to MS Chapter of Special Olympics, Attn: Peggy Lamey, 1409 25th Street, Gulfport, MS 39501.

Junior Miss applications available

Applications for the 2004 Hancock County Junior Miss Scholarship are now available.

Contestants must be juniors at one of the high schools in Hancock County, which include Hancock High School, Bay-Waveland

TOPS-307

TOPS MS 307, Bay St. Louis, met Wednesday, Jan. 8 in Triumphant Christian Church, 1807 Waveland Ave., Waveland.

Eight members were present.

Jenny was the week's best loser with 1 1/4 pounds. Sherri was top KOPS.

Mabel presented a program entitled "Just For Today."

The chapter meets every Wednesday at Triumphant Christian Church, 1807 Waveland Ave., Suite A, Waveland. Weigh-in is 4:30-5 p.m., and the meeting is 5-5:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in losing weight is welcome. Call Sherri at 467-3798.



Winner
Katherine Sullivan of Diamondhead was presented a \$100 Savings Bond for her winning entry in the Voice of Democracy contest. The subject was "Freedom's Obligation." She also won a \$400 Savings Bond at the district level. Her essay has now been forwarded for the statewide competition of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Sullivan is the daughter of Kevin and Terry Sullivan of Diamondhead and is in the 10th grade at Hancock High School.

Teacher workshop at Discover Center

Lynn Meadows Discovery Center is offering a teacher workshop for educators of students in grades K-12 on Saturday, January 25 from 8:30-2:30.

Teachers may earn CEU credit. The Project Aquatic Wild workshop will be presented by Georgia Spencer of the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science in Jackson.

Aquatic Wild activities introduce wildlife habitat, water conservation, non-point source pollution and watersheds interactive and creative ways. The materi-

Mississippi Arts Commission offers free grant-writing clinics

Wrapping up a series of successful grant-writing workshops around the state, the Mississippi Arts Commission will host two free grant-writing clinic days on Jan. 17 and 24.

The workshops were held during November and December in conjunction with the release of the Commission's FY2004 Grant Guidelines for artists and for arts organizations. The guidelines and applications are available to read, fill out and download on the Commission's Web site, www.arts.state.ms.us. For a paper copy, call 601-359-6030.

The January clinics are being offered to artists and arts organizations wanting to better understand the grants-application process. Participants are invited to drop in and meet one-on-one with Commission staff to discuss grants applications for the Commission's March

als are designed for integration into existing courses of study. Space is limited.

"Generations," a performing arts workshop, is scheduled for February 1 and "Bug-A-Rama, an entomology workshop, is slated for February 15.

These seminars are being offered as part of the Discovery Center's CIAP (Coastal Impact Assistance Program) funding.

For more information or to register, call Mary Cordray at the Discovery Center, 897-6039 ext. 13.

TOPS-233

TOPS 233 Waveland TOPS MS 233 met Tuesday, January 7 at the Waveland Methodist Church on Vacation Lane and Central Avenue. TOPS best loser for the week was Pat. The gift was won by Gwen. The incentive award was won by Myra. Chapter members welcomed four

guests.

The National Crime Prevention Task Force presented an interesting program on safety in the home and outside.

TOPS 233 meets every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weigh-ins are 5-6 pm with the meeting following.

Interested persons are invited to call Wenda at 467-1695.

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GIVE awards honor outstanding service

The Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service is seeking nominations for the Governor's Initiative for Volunteer Excellence (GIVE) Awards.

Nominations are due January 17, and may be completed online at www.MCVS.org/GIVE or by completing and submitting a nomination form. Forms are available by calling 601-432-6779.

Outstanding volunteers can be nominated in any one of 11 categories:

Outstanding Service to Mississippi's Children and Youth, Service to Mississippi's Senior Citizens, or Service to Mississippi's Disabled, a Public Servant Award for elected officials; Arts & Humanities; Lifetime Achievement; Religious Institution Award; Community Partnership Award; Corporate Award; Media or News Organization Award; or a Youth Award (individual or group of youths under age 21).

The annual GIVE Awards honor community volunteers' accomplishments over

the past year and are judged by an independent panel of judges from across Mississippi.

These prestigious awards, begun by First Lady Patricia Fordice in 1993, are a small token of thanks to the many Mississippians who give thousands of volunteer hours to hundreds of charities.

The 11th annual Governor's Initiative for Volunteer Excellence (GIVE) Awards ceremony will honor these volunteers on March 5 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Jackson as part of the annual "Investing in Mississippi's Future: United in Service" conference on volunteerism.

The Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service is the state office of volunteerism and oversees AmeriCorps and Learn and Serve America Community-based programs.

For more information on the GIVE Awards or the Mississippi Commission, call 601-432-6779 or see www.MCVS.org.

Greenways committee to meet Friday

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Greenways Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 17, 8:15 a.m. at the Hancock County Civil Defense Office, 508 Ulman Avenue, between the Hancock County-City Library and the Mississippi Power Work Yard.

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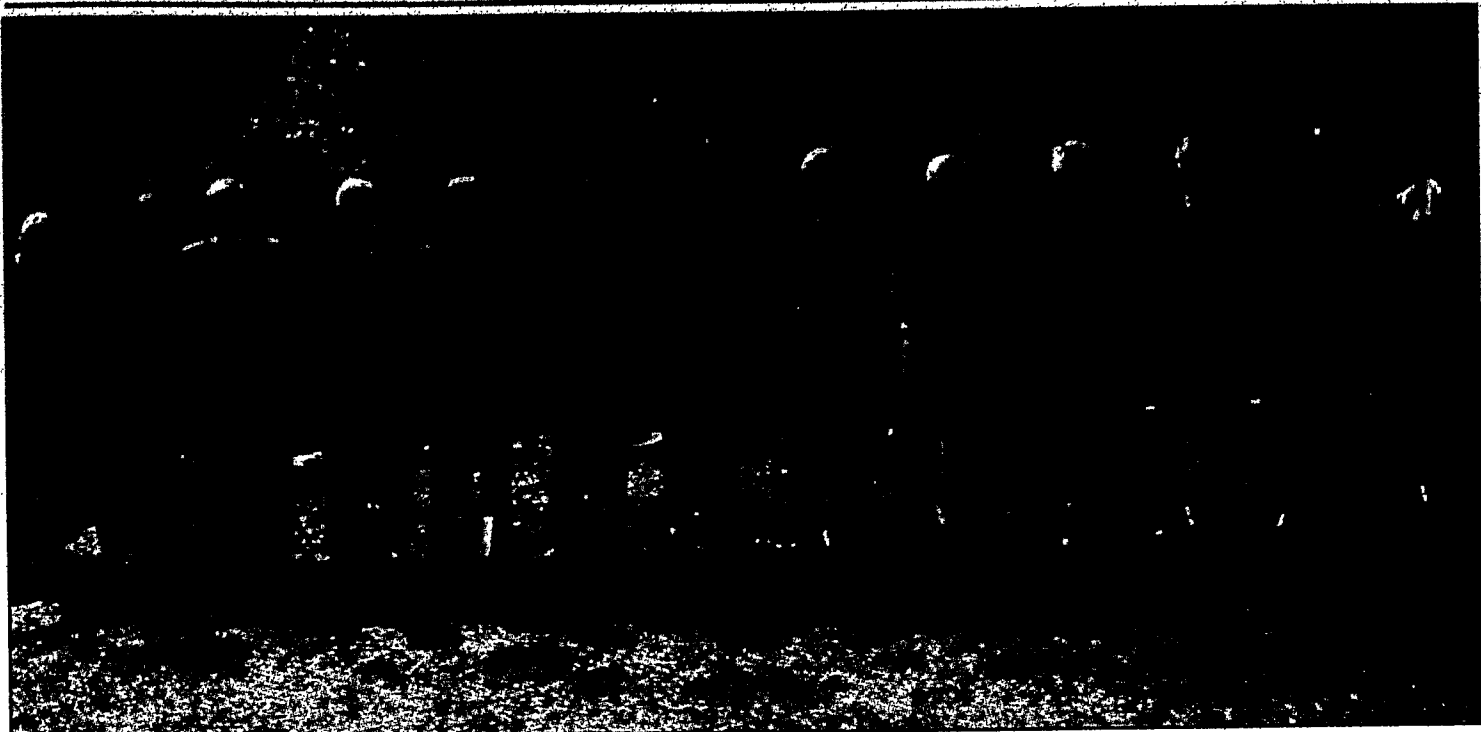
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BUSINESS NEWS



Groundbreaking

Pearl River Community College broke ground Monday on an Advanced Technology Center that is expected to be a significant economic tool for this area of South Mississippi. The ATC, which will be located on 12 acres in the Hattiesburg-Forrest County Industrial Park, is part of the Southeast Mississippi Center for Advanced Technology Partnership established by the Mississippi Legislature. Participating in the groundbreaking ceremony were, from left, Nancy Alley, Workforce Education Director for State Board for Community/Junior Colleges; Dr. Wayne Stonecypher, executive director for the SBCJC; Frank Ladner, chairman of the PRCC Board of Trustees; former State Sen. Jim Bean; former PRCC President Ted Alexander; Gray Swoope, president of the Area Development Partnership; PRCC President William Lewis; Mississippi Gov. Ronnie Musgrove; ATC Advisory Board Council Chairman Bobby Chain; Lowery Woodall, president of the Hattiesburg-Forrest County Industrial Park Commission; Lynn Cartledge, president of the Forrest County Board of Supervisors; Hattiesburg Mayor Johnny DuPree and William Ray, executive director of the Asbury Foundation.

PRCC breaks ground for new Advanced Technology Center

HATTIESBURG - It is Pearl River Community College President William Lewis, opinion that an Advanced Technology Center will be a wise investment for South Mississippi.

"We believe that this is a landmark day for all of South Mississippi," said Lewis. "The Advanced Technology Center will become our institutional crown jewel. This is a unique opportunity for South Mississippi."

Lewis made his comments Monday during groundbreaking ceremonies for the ATC, which will offer specialized workforce training. Construction is expected to take 14 months. The \$3.73 million center will be built on Sullivan Drive in the Hattiesburg-Forrest County Industrial Park.

"It's one more opportunity for us to say to people outside the state of Mississippi, 'We're on the cutting edge. We want you to come join us,'" said Gov. Ronnie Musgrove, keynote speaker.

Some 250 dignitaries braved chilly temperatures to attend the event.

The two-story building will include the PRCC Workforce Development Center staff offices, three classrooms, two computer labs, a business incubator, and equipment and facilities for a variety of training programs, including remote

sensing, GIS, program logic control, industrial maintenance and computer networking.

"It's flexible enough to provide whatever training is needed," said Gray Swoope, president of the Area Development Partnership and a member of the center's advisory council. Successful centers the advisory council studied were not located on college or university campuses although they were affiliated with them, Swoope said.

"That makes a statement in itself," he said. "It's more flexible for the employer to have that access near by. All your training can be done right around the corner."

The groundbreaking brought personal and professional satisfaction to Ted Alexander, retired PRCC president. "It's the last major project that I was able to work on for Pearl River," he said. "We've got a leg up on economic and community development that people don't really realize." The state Legislature appropriated \$8 million in 1999 for construction of advanced technology centers in Forrest and Jones counties. A \$1 million local match was required for each. The two centers promise greater economic development, said Richard Jones, ADP treasurer.

"It's going to broaden the horizons of this area," he

said. "It shows that things will work when all of the entities come together and work for a common goal."

Groundbreaking for the Jones County facility, Southpoint Advanced Technology Center in Ellisville, is expected in June, said Ronald Whitehead, Jones County Junior College president.

"The infrastructure work is still being done and we're still working with the architect," he said. "The two centers will work together and utilize the strengths of both institutions."

Funds spent for facilities such as the two advanced technology centers are wise investments, Musgrove said.

"Over and over and over again, businesses and companies want good people, skilled, trained people," he said. "That's why it's essential."

Tracie Fowler, formerly one of the Workforce Development Center's Training Project Managers, has been selected to serve as Programs Coordinator for the Advanced Technology.

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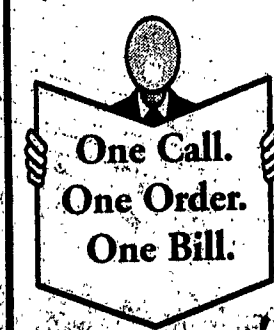
The Mississippi Employment Security Commission (MESC) began paying eligible unemployed workers Jan. 10 as part of the extension of the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation (TEUC) program which became law Jan. 8, MESC announced.

In addition the agency sent out claims forms to about 6,000 workers who

were receiving the benefits when the program ended December 28.

George W. Bush signed legislation Wednesday extending federal unemployment benefits. The measure extends TEUC which provides 13 additional weeks of benefits for the unemployed who have exhausted their 26 weeks of regular unemployment compensation.

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Bienville: Channel full of import

Port & Harbor Commission wins years-long bid to dredge Little Lake

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

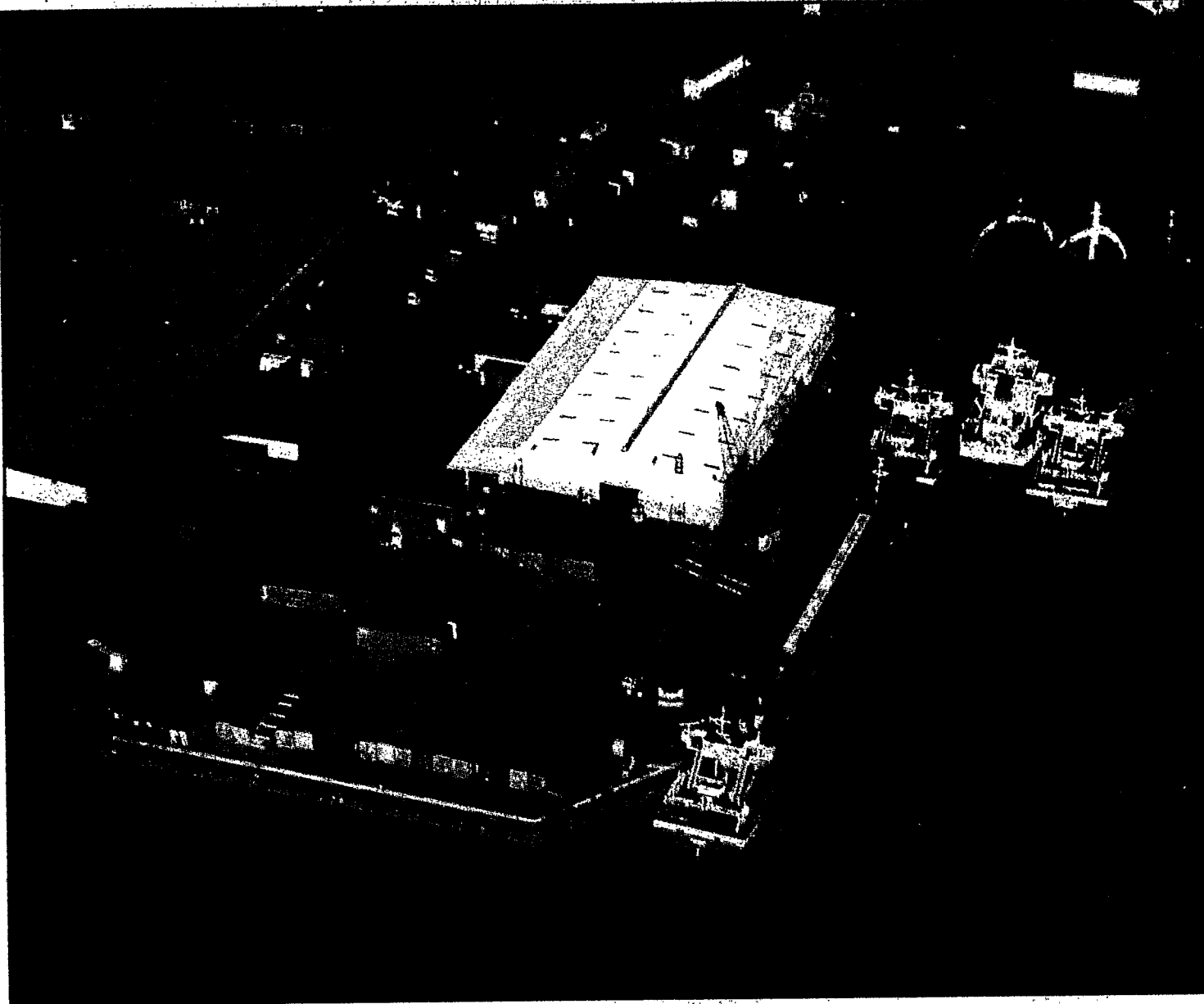
After 4 years of delays, the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission has finally received permits to have the Little Lake Channel dredged to the original 12 foot depth. The dredge work became necessary because of silting caused by Hurricane George. The passage had become almost impassable, threatening the future of industry at the port. Silting in of the channel from Hurricane George's reduced its operation and depth and threatened the shipment of raw materials and finished products from Port Bienville.

On Monday the Commission awarded the \$928,805 contract, which also includes the dredging of the entrance channel at the port, to Southwind Construction Corporation. The Little Lake project has an estimated cost of \$734,000, much higher than the original estimate of \$350,000 because of special requirements placed on the permits.

Little Lake connects the Pearl River with the Rigolets, and provides access to the Intracoastal Waterway for marine traffic serving the Port Bienville Industrial Park and the Stennis Space Center.

Right now there are still two possible holdups to the completion of the long awaited project.

Like before in the process, the Tulane Environmental law Clinic has filed yet another suit to attempt to block the dredging. Previously, the Clinic succeeded in blocking a permit that was needed from LDEQ. The permit was returned to LDEQ for re-



Linea Peninsular, a shipping company operating cargo ships five days a week between the U.S. and Mexico has 5 ships home-ported at Port Bienville.

Photo By Armando Bolo

sion. On January 17, the matter will come before the court once again.

In another setback the Federal Emergency Management Agency withdrew a \$300,000 grant it had awarded for the dredging following Hurricane George, stating that the project was not within the designated disaster area, since Little Lake is in Louisiana. Port and Harbor Director Hal Walters said that the Commission will appeal the decision. The decision was based on a technicality, he said, that was addressed at the time of the original application. Should the FEMA money be lost it will require a restruc-

turing of capital improvement plans, said Walters to insure that the Commission remains self-sustaining, as they now are.

New permits allow for the maintenance dredging of one mile of the channel to a width of 200 feet, and a depth sufficient to allow for the passage of vessels of up to 12 feet of draft. The project must be completed by 2007. As a part of the new regulations dredging may only take place between November 1 and March 15 of each year so as not to

interfere with the breeding of local fish.

Another dredging project about to begin at Port Bienville includes the maintenance dredging of the existing turning basin and the entrance to the Pearl River from the Port.

The Port & Harbor Commission has also received grants in two separate projects to overlay and improve Weber Road within Port Bienville, and to construct a cargo transfer and storage yard adjacent to its existing Port docks.

The Weber Road grants, both from the Mississippi Department of

Transportation, will provide \$615,000 of the \$842,688 estimated total cost for the project, and the cargo yard grant will provide \$497,980 of a total project estimated at \$609,975.

Two other projects to upgrade the Port's facilities are also underway. The first includes the repair and upgrade of wharf and ship fender systems at a cost of approximately \$556,545. The second involves the upgrade of the final portion of the existing railroad tracks and the construction of an additional 5,000 feet of railroad tracks for the storage of rail cars used by various Park companies. This final section of track to be replaced will provide all of Port Bienville rail users with the ability to ship and receive 286,000 pound gross weight rail cars that are now standard on major rail lines. That project is being financed with a zero interest Federal loan totalling \$700,000 from MDPT and a \$1,000,000, low interest loan from the State of Mississippi.

Revenue from port operations have allowed the port to operate without taxpayer support for the past 14 years.

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County water/sewer district wants to make things 'clear'

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Good news for water customers of the Hancock County Water and Sewer District is that the brown color of the water will be eliminated.

The district is taking steps to insure that the water will be clear. The brown color is caused by minerals in the water officials said, from the aquifer where the well is located. To drill an new well could cost around \$800,000, so the district is looking at other solutions to correct the problem. District officials and engineers will meet with Calgon in the next few weeks, to discuss the installation of a carbon filter system to clear the water though they could not give an exact date on when the installation would be completed. The system would cost about \$125,000 to install.

In other business:

Greenbriar Construction has agreed to close out documents on the first phase of the water project and should be forwarding closeout documents to Rural Development very shortly, said Director Eddie

Renz. Additional documents from Mardis Tank are needed to close out the project and complete needed repairs. Phase 1 water must be closed out before funding is released for Phase 2 water. Plans and specs for Phase 2 have been sent for approval to the Health Department. If all goes well the district should be able to go out for bids on the project before the middle of February, engineers said.

The board passed a motion to change its policy for allowing people to speak at board meetings. From now on anyone wishing to speak at the board meeting will be required to contact the Hancock County Water and Sewer Office located on Hwy. 90 and fill out a request at least three days before a meeting. Speakers will also be required to state the purpose of the request and speak only on the topic listed in the request. The motion was passed pending attorney approval.

Regular Board meetings will be held twice monthly on the second and fourth Fridays of the month at 1 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be held on January 24.

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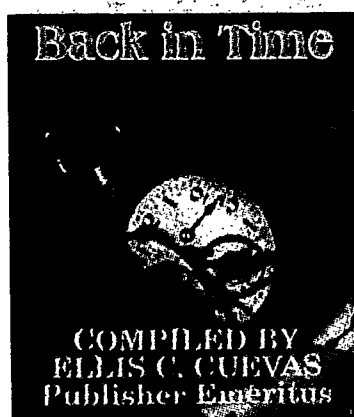
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1963 - Brawl nearly lands two out of Waveland city meeting



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TEN YEARS AGO

January 7, 1993 - Masson Technologies general manager B. Ray Scott announced Monday the March 5 discharge of 67 additional employees from the Mississippi Army Ammunition Plant. Scott stated 80-85 persons would be retained for maintenance of the facility and equipment.

Plans for an expansion of the Hancock County Library System main branch building received the county's endorsement Monday when system director Prima Plauché announced the state's awarding of at least a \$200,000 in grant funds to the board of supervisors.

Local organizers announced Monday the creation of a new carnival krewe in conjunction with the Krewe of Real People on Mardi Gras, extending the parade route along Highway 90 through downtown Bay St. Louis for 6.7 miles.

The krewe of Camelot offers memberships to all wishing to participate. Marketing for the celebration will be offered to visitors through a hotel/parade/package.

Major sponsor Casino Magic will host an open party on its Bay Cove Marina grounds where the parade will disband. Those in photo were, Krewe of Camelot official Hester Plauché, Casino Magic Marketing director Jena Rustand, Krewe of Real People Captain Charles Johnson, Waveland Resort Inn president Bill Lady, and Hancock County Tourism and Gaming Association president Jim Henrie.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

January 6, 1983 - A Waveland official at a City Board of Aldermen meeting Tuesday revealed controversial beachfront property at the corner of Beach Boulevard and Aiken Drive is included in a zoning request apparently presented to the board last month.

Barbara Rappold, city clerk and Ward One alderman, at a Dec. 8 City of Waveland Board of Aldermen meeting refused to provide details of an apparent zoning change request discussed at length with Mayor John Longo.

A gas leak survey started in Bay St. Louis on Tuesday, according to Mayor Larry Bennett. Bennett reported to the Council Tuesday, "Some 34 households were checked today starting on North Beach at the city limits. Three grade one leaks, four grade two, and four grade three leaks were found."

Bill Johnson, city superintendent, said the grade one leaks were the most serious grade and his crews had already repaired two of them adding, "We are going to try and repair the grade ones as soon as possible."

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RESPECT others, and they will respect you



Echo Staff Photo by Bennie Shallbatter
Geraldine Lang at home (above) in the house she and her husband Jimmy built themselves on State Street in Bay St. Louis.



Courtesy of Geraldine Lang
"Miss Gerry" Lang in front of the old Bay St. Louis courthouse. "They sent a photographer from Jackson to take the picture for the governor," she said.

Miss Geraldine doesn't take 'no' for an answer when it comes to fighting for children

BY BENNIE SHALLBATTER
Staff Writer

Respect others and they will respect you is the motto on which local community leader Geraldine Lang has based her life.

Lang, known fondly as Miss Geraldine or Miss Gerry, is known far and wide both in the community and the state as a bundle of unstoppable energy when it comes to fighting for what she believes in, and what she believes in are children.

At 86, though she can no longer get around the way she could, she still continues her work through the telephone and through others, who she has the uncanny power to motivate and inspire. Ask anyone who she has called on to help. You just don't say no to Miss Geraldine.

She recently retired as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hancock County Task Force to Save Our Children and was one of the founding members of the organization, which began in 1991, an offshoot

of Concerned Citizens.

For her work over the years, Lang has received awards and recognitions too numerous to name. She has spoken at events across the state. She lunched with Governor Winters to work with him on implementing

farmers Ivy Barr and Bythella Thomas Barr in 1916, she was one of 15 children, several of which were lost to childhood illnesses.

Her upbringing was loving but strict.

"My parents didn't settle for troubles," said Lang. "You knew to listen and do what you should ... if you didn't you would get the switch. We would never think of disrespecting our elders. I learned to say yes sir and yes mame and that was just the way it was."

The family raised strawberries in Tangipahoa Parish, which was a year round job, Lang said, because by the time you finished one thing there was another thing to do, from picking fruit to tending the plants in the winter.

"We shipped by rail in those days," she said. "The town nearby, Amite, had a depot and we would haul the strawberries to the depot to be inspected before they were shipped."

The year round work left little time for school.

"I attended school, but not like the kids do today, because of my duties on the farm," said Lang.

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mandatory education laws in the state, and would think nothing of calling his predecessors to personally discuss her goals for her projects. To Miss Geraldine, there are no closed doors. But you may have to knock a little louder on some.

Born to Louisiana tenant

Becky variety of daisies reigns among perennials



SOUTHERN GARDENING
By Norman Winter
MSU Horticulturist
Central Mississippi
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Center

The Becky variety of shasta daisies has been chosen as the Perennial Plant of the Year for 2003.

Every Mississippi landscape needs this showy flower, which is probably the best shasta daisy for the South. While all others tend to melt a bit in the torrid heat and humidity, this lady keeps her composure.

The old-fashioned shasta daisy is one of the most loved plants in the South. Little girls and young ladies dream of daisies having a prominent place in their wedding someday. Pristine, glistening white

flowers light up the spring and early summer like no other plant does.

The shasta daisy has the potential of being around your home for awhile if you select the right varieties and do proper bed preparation. Choose a site with six hours of sun and a little afternoon shade protection.

The soil must be fertile, moist, and very well drained. If plagued by tight heavy soil that doesn't drain, then amend with 3 to 4 inches of organic matter and till to a depth of 6 to 8 inches.

While tilling, incorporate two pounds of a slow-



The old-fashioned shasta daisy is one of the most loved plants in the South. This variety, Becky, has been chosen as the Perennial Plant of the Year for 2003.

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The Sea Coast Echo

SPORTS

Lady Tigers remain on top with 77-17 win; Lady Hawks fall

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The #14-ranked Hancock Lady Hawks took it on the chin Tuesday against the Lady Rebels of Teurling Catholic of Lafayette, Louisiana 46-38. The top-ranked Lady Tigers of Bay High rebounded from their first loss of the season to record a 77-17 win over the St. Martin Lady Yellow Jackets on Tuesday. The Tigers dropped a close game that could have gone either way 58-53.

The Lady Hawks were down 8-5 after the first period of play but surged ahead in the second period to take a 20-19 lead at halftime behind the hot hand of Amanda Arcement who scored 8 points in the period.

Teurling Catholic (20-5) battled back in the third period behind the play of point guard Blair Brodhead to claim a 34-29 lead. The fourth period saw the Lady Hawks commit several turnovers that haunted them at the end.

Brodhead and the other

Lady Rebels kept a calm head in the final minutes to preserve the outcome.

Teurling Catholic head coach Gary Brodhead stated, "We knew that this would be a tough game for us over here. Our team was familiar with injured guard Brooke Necaise and had heard about their other players. So, we knew that we had a huge test in front of us."

"In the latter stages of the game, our offense was not clicking so we went to a four-corner set to try and get something going from the outside."

The Lady Rebels are the current defending Class 3A state champions in Louisiana.

Hancock head coach Pam Slayton commented, "Teurling Catholic's guard play was steady behind Blair Brodhead. I thought we did a good job in the first half of stopping them. The turnovers in the second half really hurt us. We cannot play ball like that against a solid team like the Rebels. We were missing an effective

part of our offensive game in Brooke Necaise. Her absence also hurt us on the boards."

The Lady Hawks (17-6) were led by Devin Necaise with 13 points followed by Ashley Boehnel with 9 points.

The top-ranked Lady Tigers (22-1, 5-0) defeated St. Martin 77-17 in their first action since their first defeat of the season last Friday at the hands of rival Hancock.

The Lady Tigers limited the Lady Yellow Jackets to just one basket in the first period claiming a 23-2 lead. By halftime the score was 40-7.

Bay High head coach Debbie Triplett stated, "This was a good win for us. We had to come out and play with some intensity to get our confidence back. The missed free throws late in the game against Hancock deflated our confidence and we had to regain that. We shot the ball very well tonight and had a solid effort, defensively. Our aggressive defensive play is

a momentum stealer for us. We have to have that every night. On Friday, we travel to Gautier to play an athletic and physical Lady Gator team."

"We have to have our game face on against them."

The Lady Tigers were led by Carmen Labat's 19 points followed by Kendra Reed with 16 points. Stephanie Reed added 6 assists and Felicia Thomas dished out 5 helpers. LaMonica James grabbed 10 rebounds to go with her 8 points.

In the boys game, the outcome was decided at the charity stripe late in the game and it was not favorable for the Tigers. The St. Martin Yellow Jackets nailed some big shots late and the Tigers (4-14) missed the train on the front-ends of several 1-and-1's.

The first period ended with St. Martin up front 18-16. The Tigers turned the tide in the second period claiming a 33-30 advantage at the break. However, the shots started to stop falling for the Tigers in the third as

they fell behind 44-39.

Lorenzo Lewis cut the St. Martin lead to 46-45 at the line with 5:24 left to play; however, the Tigers went cold from the line after that.

Bay High head coach Alan Lumpkin commented, "I'm pleased with the effort that we put forth tonight. We had to have a solid effort to get us up after last Friday's defeat. St. Martin hit some big shots at the end and we did not connect on out free throws. That was the difference in the game."

"Friday we travel to Gautier to play an athletic and physically challenging team. We have to step up and play team defense against them to keep them at bay."

Marquez Singleton led the Tigers with 21 points followed by Lewis' 9 points. Bernard Seymour scored 28 points for the Yellow Jackets followed by C.J. Hawthorne with 14 points.

In earlier action, the Hancock Lady Hawks defeated the Hattiesburg Lady Tigers 66-40 while the

Tigers claimed a 94-63 win over the Hawks on the boys side.

The Lady Hawks gave the Hancock alumni on hand something to cheer for Saturday, January 11 with their division win over Hattiesburg.

The Lady Hawks jumped out to a 19-1 first period lead and increased that to 39-10 by halftime. Devin Necaise led all scorers with 13 points followed by Brooke Necaise and Ashley Boehnel with 12 points each.

Lady Hawks head coach Pam Slayton recalled, "This was a good win for us in district. We did a good job of passing the ball and looking for the open shot. The players seem to be in a scoring groove and are gaining some momentum heading into the final stretch run for district."

On Tuesday, January 14, the #3-ranked St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws defeated the East Central Hornets 64-30; however, scoring details were not available.

Pearl River splits with arch-rival Perk

THE SEA COAST ECHO

PERKINSTON Pearl River Community College split with arch-rival Mississippi Gulf Coast here Monday in women's and men's MACJC South Division basketball action.

The Lady Wildcats fell 82-73 to drop to 11-3 overall and 1-2 in league play, while the Wildcats dominated the Bulldogs in a 82-58 blow out to improve to 12-2 and 2-1. MGCC's women improved to 11-3 and 2-1, while its men dropped to 6-7 and 1-2.

In men's action, the Wildcats played their best all-around game of the season, says PRCC head coach

Richard Mathis.

"We shut them down and played some very solid defense," said Mathis, who is in his 12th season with PRCC.

"It goes to show you what we can do if we set our minds to it."

Gulf Coast jumped out to a brief lead in the opening two minutes, but it was all downhill after that. Wildcats Ray Selva and Yandell Brown went on a scoring tear over the next four minutes and put PRCC up for good.

Selva was fouled while slamming home an alley oop, then sank his ensuing

foul shot with 16:35 left to make it 9-4 PRCC. Nine minutes later, Carlos Cole scored to put the Wildcats up by 15 29-14 then Brown scored with 1:20 left to give PRCC its largest lead of the first half at 37-21.

Gulf Coast's Marcus Peters bucketed his only trey of the night in the final seconds of the half to trim PRCC's lead to 39-26 at the intermission.

Pearl River built its lead to 22 points in the first five minutes of the second half, then grabbed a 24-point edge its largest of the night when Wildcat Alvin Smith

ended the scoring in the final seconds.

Brown finished the night with a game-high 27 points (two treys), while Selva managed 15 point and hauled in a game-high 15 rebounds. Cole added 11 points, Keesler Johnson seven, Smith four, Jeremy Bragg and James Ball (one

trey), three each; and Ethan Smith and Renard Elzy of Bay High, two each.

PRCC eyes 11 more South Division foes all in succession to wrap-up its regular season. Pearl River hosts league rival Copiah-Lincoln today (women 6 p.m., men 8 p.m.), then Hinds plays host in Utica

Tuesday, Jan. 21 (women 6 p.m., men 8 p.m.).

The women's and men's 2003 MACJC State Tournaments will be held Feb. 24-27 at a yet-to-be-decided South Division site, while this year's Region XXIII events will be held March 3-6 at Mississippi College in Clinton.

on the hardwood

Lady Tigers claw Stone; OLA Crescents shine over Biloxi

ECHO STAFF REPORT
Lady Tigers-Stone

The Bay High Lady Tigers stopped the Stone County Lady Tomcats 1-0 in soccer play last week. Brittany Strong scored the game's only goal midway through the first half. Sweeper Samantha Billingsley and goalkeeper Megan Corr led the defenses in preserving the shutout win.

The team is 5-5 on the season and 3-2 in division

play.

OLA Jr. High-Biloxi

Our Lady Academy's junior high soccer team beat Biloxi 3-0 Monday. Amanda Meyers scored two goals for the Crescents and Jaimie Reisch one as the team improved its record to 8-0 on the season. Rebekah Kennedy, Meyers and Morgan Gibbens each had an assist.

Amelia Simpson and Bri Johnston combined in goal for the shutout.

The team will travel to Long Beach tonight to face the Lady Bearcats at 5:30 p.m.

Hancock High-St. John
The Hancock High girls soccer team won its second game of the year Jan. 13 defeating St. John 2-0.

The goals were scored by Colleen Botts with an assist by Erica Skinner five minutes into the first half and by Kandace Boos with four minutes remaining in the second half.

Carey soccer moves to Hattiesburg

THE SEA COAST ECHO

William Carey College's soccer program will move from the Gulfport campus to the Hattiesburg campus this spring, Carey President Larry W. Kennedy announced. The decision to relocate the soccer program comes after several months

of planning and discussion. "It is a decision based primarily on the fact that all of our other athletic programs are on the Hattiesburg campus," Kennedy said. "The idea of moving the soccer program from the coast has been discussed on several occasions. At times it has

been difficult to coordinate all aspects of the soccer program from Hattiesburg."

The Carey men's and women's soccer teams have won numerous conference and regional titles, as well as competed for the national championship on four occasions.

New Gulf Coast football team announced

The Regional Developmental Football League has expanded to cover Mississippi with a pro minor football team for men, the Gulf Coast Pirates.

The Pirates' season will begin in April with the championship game to be

played mid-July. The RDFL originated in Texas and is expanding across the Southern Region.

The Pirates will be holding tryouts Saturday, January 25 at 3 p.m. on the field located South of Yankee Stadium off Lee

Street in Biloxi.

Must be at least 18 years of age and carry your own medical insurance. There is a \$30 non-refundable try-out fee. The team is looking for more staff. If you would like more information, call Debbie at 860-4907.

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SPORTS

Bay High: A tale of two teams

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer*(This is the first installment of a series of feature stories on Bay High, Hancock, & SSC basketball.)*

The Bay High basketball program could be considered a tale of two very different teams. First, there is one that is one pic-and-step from the summit of the mountain while the other one is learning to take that first treacherous step.

The Bay High Lady Tigers basketball team has been perched at the top of the basketball world for most of the 2002-03 season. It is no wonder they are at the top after losing just one senior from last year's Class 4A state runner-up team.

Bay High head coach Debbie Triplett has her troops poised to make another run for the golden ball in the "Big House" in Jackson.

This season the Lady Tigers debuted as the #5 team in the state but quickly made their way to the top of the polls where they have pitched a tent for the past month. Senior LaMonica James stated that the LadyTigers are at the top because they are playing more as a team rather than a team of individuals. Senior Stephanie Reed thinks that the team is where they are because of a more matured approach than last season.

Carmen Labat takes the avenue that the players utilized the off-season to hone their skills as a reason. Courtney Rieux states that communication has been the catalyst of the steady play this season. Whatever the reason is, it seems to be working.

The team played in a summer league program against schools such as Gulfport, Harrison Central and Hancock and came out unscathed. St. Stanislaus head coach Jay Ladner spoke to the team over the summer about different offensive and defensive sets. Triplett also brought the team to the University of Florida team camp over the summer break.

Labat commented, "We went to the University of Florida for their team camp and came away a much better team. The drills and techniques we learned there, we brought back and utilize them in practice everyday. The results are showing in our play each night."

Coach Debbie Triplett sees improvement in the team as well. She commented, "We have progressed a good bit from last year to this year. We had a strong nucleus of players returning. The team has become a much better shooting team than last year's. Carmen Labat has added a better outside game to her resume. That addition helped take some of the pressure off Stephanie Reed on the outside. LaMonica James and Kendra Reed have shown that they are strong inside players. LaMonica began to pick up some confidence in the playoffs last season and that has increased this year. She has developed into a solid leader for us. Another strength for us has been our bench play. We are stronger there than we were last year."

"We have received solid play from Crystal Skretching, Destiny Porter, and Courtney Rieux. They have given us the spark that we needed off the bench in many games this season. We have five division games left. This team knows what they have to do to secure that top spot in the division and host that



The Bay High Lady Tigers are the number-one ranked girls' basketball team in the state of Mississippi, with a record of 21 wins and 1 loss for the regular season.

first-round south state game. If we can win the district and the first-round game, we have a great shot at hosting the South State tournament at our gym. And, after that it is go for it all."

Being the top-ranked team in the state has not been an easy row to hoe for the Lady Tigers this season. Earlier in the year, the team traveled to Oxford to play in the Mississippi/Alabama Challenge. They had the opportunity of playing in the Tad Smith Coliseum on the campus of the University of Mississippi. In that weekend tournament, the Lady Tigers were down 17 points to Hoover, Alabama, heading into the final period of play. The Lady Tigers exploded in the final eight minutes and pulled out a three-point victory.

The four seniors on the team agree that was a turning point in the season for the Lady Tigers. Labat recalled, "Coach got after us in that game. She told us that it was a test for us and challenged us. That win gave us confidence."

However, it is not all about summer league games, practice camps at colleges, and trips to big tournaments that make a team. There are outside aspects and other sides of coaches that have positive effects on a team. James stated, "A big reason for our success has been a select group of fans that are always there for us. These people are there each and every night always pushing us to get better. It makes you feel good that there are people outside of your family that truly care."

The buck doesn't stop with that fan group. Coach Debbie Triplett has had a profound effect on her team and not through blowing whistle in the gym. James and the other seniors agreed and stated, "Coach Triplett brings out the best in us, always. She not only cares about how we perform on the court but also how we perform in life. Coach Triplett is interested in what we do outside of the gym, at home, in school. It is not just about basketball with Coach Triplett, it is about life."

On January 10, the Lady Tigers suffered their first defeat of the season to the Lady Hawks of Hancock. While it was a devastating loss because it was the first one, in the scope of things it does not affect the Lady Tigers' chances of winning the gold ball. Hancock is a 5A school and the Lady Tigers are a 4A school.

Sure, the loss hurts but it might just be the wake-up call the Lady Tigers need. There are seven games left and five are division games. Stephanie Reed put it best, "We will not let the loss bring us down. It is time to get back to work and prepare for our division run."

If these Lady Tigers and their mentor have anything to say about it, it might be time to start booking some rooms in Jackson.

The boys program in 2002-03 has seen some ups and downs this season. There have been some pleasing efforts and some frustrating ones. The Tigers are young and very athletic. They are hungry and ready to pounce. But, they are still learning and the one constant of this young team is the fact that they are willing to learn.

In three years there have been three coaches for the boys team. That is three different philosophies, three different offenses, three different defenses, and three different attitudes. Unless one has been a part of that, it is very difficult to understand what is being required of these players.

Bay High head coach Alan Lumpkin commented, "I am very pleased with the progress of the team this year. These players are being asked to do something very difficult. They are learning something new for the third consecutive year. That is a tough thing to do in sports especially when consistency is a big factor in success. It has been frustrating at times but I am very pleased with the players. They are very special to me each and every one of them."

How does a coach get everything out of player each and every night, if that player has a concern of whether that coach will be there the next season? How does a coach get a player to commit to a philosophy if another one comes along the next season? These are the questions that face these players. Lumpkin added, "My first job is to have them build confidence in me and I must gain their respect. The coach must commit first to be able to make a difference in that player."

One of the most consistent factors that Lumpkin has seen in 2002-03 is a willingness to learn by his team. He stated, "They are always hungry to learn. That is pleasing. It makes you come back the next day. You will have frustrating days at practice and tough nights in the gym at games. But, if you commit to learn-

ing then it gives you a strong foundation to build on. It is difficult to build something from the top down. You have to have a foundation. These players are consistent in the fact that they want to build that foundation. That is very pleasing."

He continued, "I see two constants every day in practice. First, there is Marquez Singleton. He is always there giving you 100%. He brings everything he has to the court. He is a constant for us. Eric Lymuel is a leader on the floor for us. He leads in more ways than scoring points. Those are some constants that I see helping us build this foundation."

Make no doubt about it, these Tigers know what their goals are for the remainder of the season. They know where they need to be when the division tournament comes around. Now, they are learning how to get to that place. Having the goal and knowing where you need to be is half the battle. A constant willingness to learn how to get there will pay huge dividends for the Tigers. But, remember Rome wasn't built in a day.



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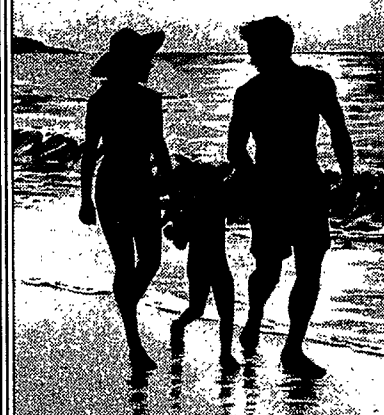
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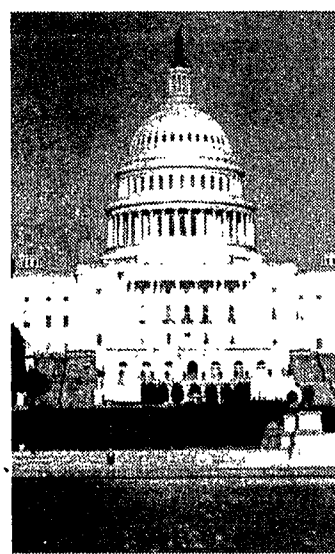


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Miss Gerry--for the children

Later she did some domestic work and learned the fine art of pastry cooking. A family she worked for had a home in New Orleans and a chicken farm in Waveland. She came to Mississippi to work.

It was at this time that she met her future husband, James "Jimmy" Lang who passed on in 1989.

"There were a lot of girls working on the farm and on Saturday, when the family went to play bingo, we would come over to Bay St. Louis to go to the movies at the A and G Theater on the beach," said Lang. "One Saturday a man came over and sat a little ways down from me and introduced himself."

We saw each other over the next week at some parties and barbecues and he courted me and told me his dreams. He told me he wasn't interested in parties and drinking and he wasn't scared to work, and that he was looking for somebody who felt the same way. I told him I did and it wasn't very long before we were married. He had talked me to death and there wasn't much else we needed to know about one another to become husband and wife."

The couple bought several pieces of land around where Lang's house still stands today on State Street.

"You could buy 50 square

foot pieces for \$35 then," she said. "We bought a few and raised hogs and chickens and rabbits to sell to hotels and stores. Jimmy also knew the carpentry and building trade ... we built this house ... and if he went to put a tin roof on a house don't you know that I was right up there with him helping."

"I had fun with my husband and we had some good times and we had our share of hardships ... we raised

with my studies, especially math," she said. "I was nervous when I took my test but I passed and my diploma was mailed to me."

Over the years Lang has continued to learn and has taken numerous classes including some at USM. She continues to seek knowledge at every opportunity.

For many years she taught children in her home and a group of about 15 local children, now adults, probably have vivid memo-

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program recently has done a lot to make the program a real success," she said. "They came down here and just got busy making things better in the community. They are good people. I would love to see our chapter of the NAACP become even more active."

She remembers Dr. Martin Luther King as a mighty powerful person.

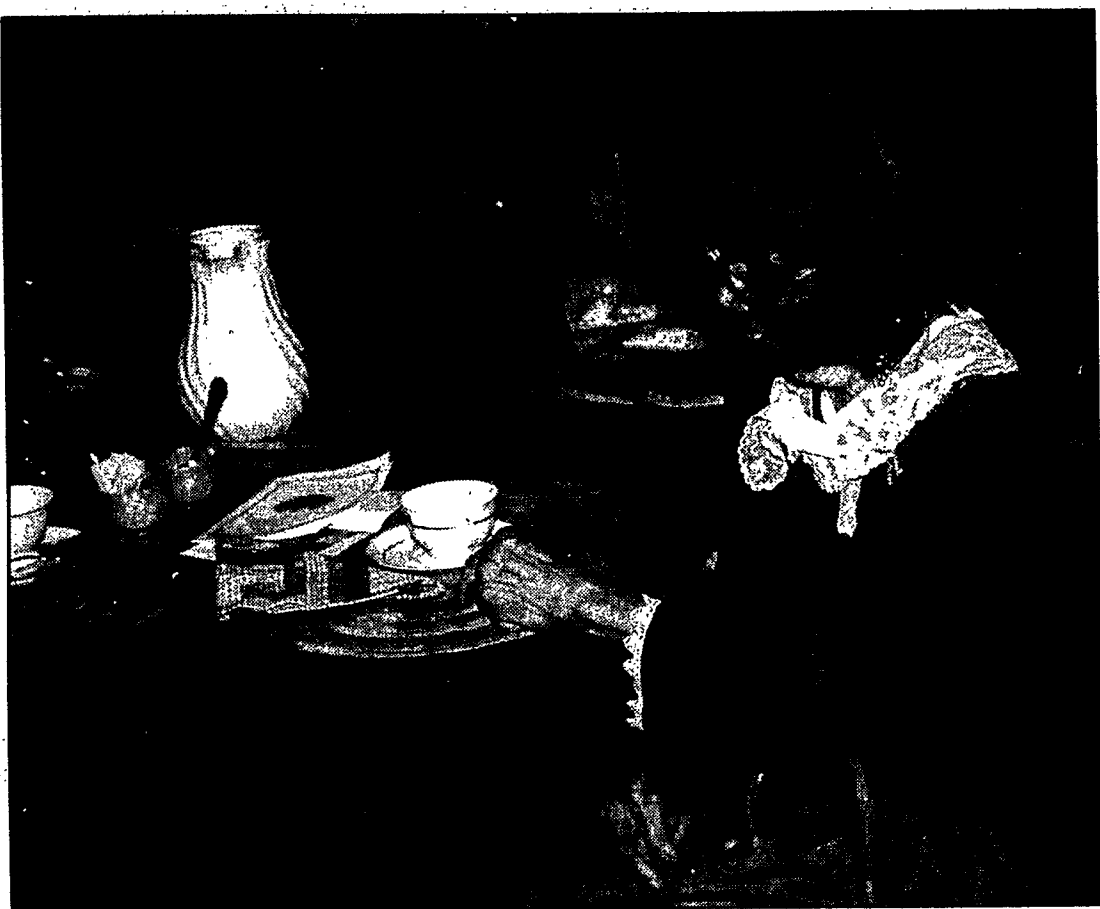
"The things he did, it makes the hair stand up on your head, to think of how brave he was," she said. "He preached what he believed. You develop a relationship with the good Lord, live the life he wants you to, and tell others about it."

Through the years, Lang said, "I never had too much trouble with the division of races. I think I didn't encounter prejudice when I was growing up because I was raised to respect people ... that is important. It is also important to remember people's names and greet them politely. If you are respectful

and know how to approach people, they will respect you. There is no where I haven't felt welcome."

She worries about the children today, she says. She sees them on the street wasting time; she sees them not listening to their parents; she sees them getting into trouble.

"We have to start early teaching the children," said Lang. "We have to start at birth."



"Miss Geraldine" Lang at her dining room table, a place of planning, action and conversation, now that she has retired from the board of Save Our Children.

Echo Staff Photo by Bennie Shallbetter

our kids and some other people's too and adopted some."

During the early days of her marriage Lang decided she had better get a high school diploma. She took classes at a vo-tech school and the sisters at St. Rose De Lima would stop by and teach both Lang and her husband. She had a lot of other teachers too.

"I would ask anyone I could think of to help me

ries of the dances, plays, fundraisers and classes Lang organized. They were the finest group of children, she said, and have all grown up to be productive community members.

Over the years Lang has been active in the NAACP and the Thomas P. Clark African American History Program.

"But the work that Donna Holton and Bill Johnson have done for the

were found in the cars and an assortment of narcotics.

A verbal fracas was the high point at Waveland's Town Council meeting Tuesday night in which Mayor Garfield Ladner threatened to have two major participants ejected from the meeting.

Three pay hikes for the county road forces were unanimously approved by the board of supervisors at its annual reorganization session Monday which all appointive employees were named for another year in their present positions.

The increases, all authored by the board's newest member, H.G. Dean of Beat One, were from \$1.50 to \$2 an hour for two dozier operators; grader men from \$9 a day average on a monthly basis to \$12 on working days only, and labor from \$7 to \$8 per day.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
January 9, 1953 - Mrs. Margaret Olsen, chairman of the South Mississippi

National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, asked for the continued assistance of Hancock County in the annual March of Dimes drive.

Mrs. Olsen was the guest of C.C. McDonald, Jr., program chairman, at the regular meeting of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club Wednesday.

Financial assistance is given in all cases, the speaker, who was introduced by Dr. C.M. Shipp, County Health Officer, stated. Polio is an expensive disease, she added, in some cases \$40 to \$50 a day.

In 1952, the speaker stated, 56,000 new cases were treated; it was the greatest epidemic in the history of the country. It was double the number of cases in 1951 and 10,000 more cases than the largest epidemic year in 1949.

Mississippi Power Company crews have completed construction on a new substation serving the city. This substation now in

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operation, is completely new with the most modern equipment available.

Located at the corner of State Street and Necaise Avenue, the new station is nearer load center than the old station which was located next to the ice plant on Railroad Avenue.

SIXTY YEARS AGO

January 15, 1943 - The Dorgan Packing Company opened its packing season January 13th with an abundance of oysters brought in by 15 boats to be shucked and packed.

Mr. Frank Guterrez, manager, states that as part of the defense program, the factory has orders which will keep it busy for a long time for filling orders of canned seafood for armed forces as the ban on use of cans has been lifted.

Top wages are being paid, a worker of ordinary ability being able to earn \$4 to \$6 a day, and more proficient worker being able to earn \$7 and over a day.

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FORTY YEARS AGO

January 10, 1963 - Never try to pawn a questionable article to a police officer, if you expect to get by with it. Two men from Atlanta, Ga. both with police records, tried to trick about noon on Saturday at Porter's Gulf Service, not suspecting that the attendant was City Patrolman Lathan Garriga, and within an hour ended up in the county jail on charges of possession of burglary tools and narcotics.

The pair tried to pawn a hi-fi phonograph at Porter's and Garriga steered them to U.S. 90 suggesting "one of the places out there might buy it."

As the men drove away Garriga telephones the sheriff's office where Deputy Gerrard Freeman radioed Chief Deputy Gerald V. Price, Jr. Price picked up Garriga at Porter's and they proceeded to Highway 90 where they found the Georgians had sold the record player for \$3 and \$2 of gas. Burglary tools

Garden

release fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed space.

A 12-6-6 or balanced 8-8-8 blend with minor nutrients included are good choices. Space plants 12 to 15 inches apart. Plant at the same depth they are growing in the container. Apply a layer of mulch after planting.

Maintain moisture through the long, hot summer and feed with a light application of fertilizer every four to six weeks. Keep the flowers deadheaded for both a tidy look and increased flower production.

Vigorous varieties like Becky will often repeat.

Divide in the fall, spacing as recommended. This should be a yearly event if you want the best blooms and healthiest plants.

Shasta daisies should be grown boldly in sweeping drifts of color. They combine wonderfully with the blazing star *Liatris spicata*, purple coneflower, *Victoria blue* salvia, *Indigo Spires* salvia, and Japanese iris.

Becky, which reaches 30 inches in height, may be the best shasta daisy, but there are certainly other varieties worthy of a try.

Snowcap reaches 18 inches in height and also has good heat tolerance. The

dwarf varieties Silver Princess and Little Miss Muffet have a good track record for longer blooming. Snow Lady, also a dwarf, won the All-America Selections award in 1991.

There are two new promising selections for 2003 coming from Paul Michells. One is called Angel Daisy and looks like a white coneflower that reaches 18 to 24 inches in height.

The other is a new dwarf selection called Darling Daisy that reaches only 15 inches tall. Both are promised to be repeat bloomers, and I certainly hope this proves true.

Shasta daisies are native to Portugal and the Pyrenees, yet they look as if they were born for the Southern-style cottage garden. If you have been less than impressed with yours, give Becky a try. I believe you will change your mind.

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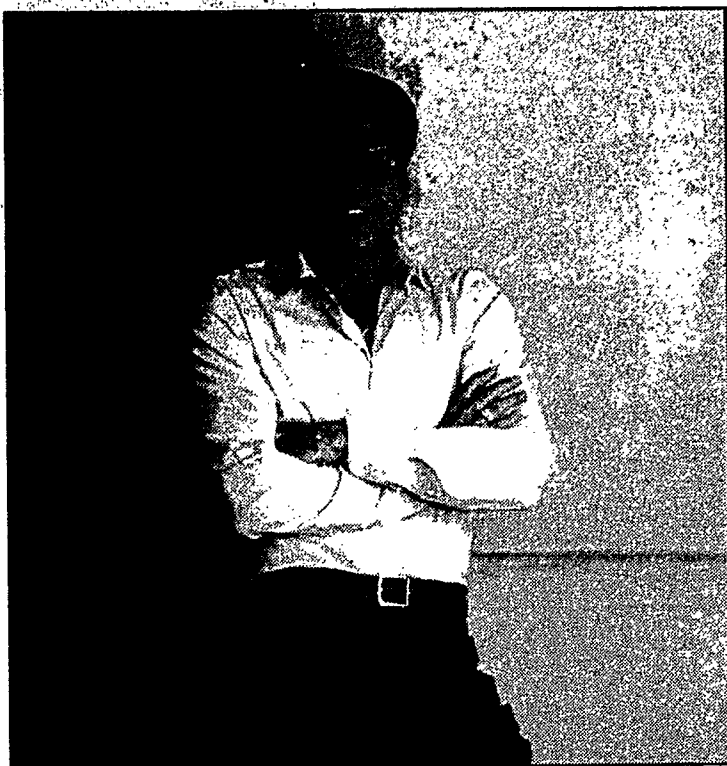
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THE SEA COAST ECHO

With sales of over 100 million records, nine Grammy nominations, three Grammy Awards and an American Music Award, KC and The Sunshine Band is one of the main forces in pop music; and they will be at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Saturday, January 25 at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$19.95, \$24.95 and \$29.95 and available at Casino Magic Box Office or at any Ticketmaster location.

With hits like "Get Down Tonight," and "Shake Your Booty," KC & the Sunshine Band have been established as movers and shakers in the music business.

The band began making their mark in 1975, when they released their self-titled album which went triple platinum and contained the number one hits "Get Down Tonight" and "That's The Way (I Like It)." In fact, KC is only the



KC, sans Sunshine Band

third act, behind the Beatles and the Jackson Five, to have four number one singles in the span of one year: "Boogie Shoes,"

"Get Down Tonight," "That's The Way (I Like It)" and "Rock Your Baby." KC's next album, "Part 3," released the next year, con-

tinued the hit-making tradition with number one singles "I'm Your Boogie Man," "Shake Your Booty," and "Keep It Coming Love."

In 1978, he added yet another hit with "Boogie Shoes," which was included on the "Saturday Night Fever" soundtrack; KC followed that hit with "Please Don't Go," and the Top Five duet with Teri DeSario "Yes, I'm Ready."

KC's music continues to be a favorite today. His songs have appeared in ads for companies like General Motors, Burger King, Nestlé Toll House Cookies, Kmart, Old Navy, and Nick at Night. His music has also been featured in over 75 movies such as Forrest Gump, Boogie Nights, Boys Don't Cry, Rush Hour, and Carlito's Way. KC songs are regularly heard at sporting events, from Wrigley Field to the University of Tennessee to hundreds of high school gymnasiums across America.

Jazz it up for Arts Under the Dome

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Arts Under The Dome will present jazz vocalist Stephanie Nakasian with the Hod O'Brien Trio Jan. 17 at 7 p.m. in downtown Gulfport.

The musical event will be held at First United Methodist Church at 15th Street and 24th Avenue. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students at the door.

Nakasian and O'Brien received a standing ovation at intermission when they appeared with Arts Under The Dome three years ago.

They have been a musical partnership since 1980 and always perform to rave reviews from critics and audiences throughout the U.S. and Europe. They are known for their fresh and lively, entertaining and swinging jazz interpretations of the songs of such greats as Gershwin, Porter, Arlen, Ellington and Rogers and Hart.

Nakasian became known



Stephanie Nakasian and Hod O'Brien

in the 80s when she toured with vocal jazz master, Jon Hendricks. She guests with the Jim Cullum Jazz Band on their syndicated public radio show "Riverwalk, Live from the Landing." She appears as a featured performer at major jazz festivals and as a guest with an array of jazz artists.

O'Brien was a part of the New York jazz scene in the 1950s and over the years has played and recorded

extensively with the greatest names in jazz including Oscar Pettiford, Kenny Burrell, Chet Baker, Pepper Adams and Star Getz.

He has played at the famous New York jazz clubs such as Birdland, the Continental and the Blue Note. In the mid-70s, he opened his own club, the St. James Infirmary.

For more information, call 228-863-0047 or 388-9288.

Theatre to hold auditions for STARQUEST 2003 Jan. 27-28

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Gulfport Little Theatre will hold auditions for its "STAR QUEST 2003" Talent Show on Jan. 27 and 28 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the theater.

The talent show will be held at Gulfport Little Theatre on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 at 7 p.m.

All proceeds from the show are used to fund the annual Baxley-McDaniel Scholarship, which will be

awarded to a Coast-area high school senior who pursues a degree in the performing arts.

Musicians, vocalists, dancers, choral groups, bands, dramatic and comedy monologues, and novelty acts are invited to audition.

First, second, and third prizes will be awarded in four categories: Adult, Teen, Pre-Teen, and Duo/Group. Winners on Friday night will advance to compete for

the "Best of Show" award on Saturday night.

There is no charge to audition, but an entrance fee of \$10 will be required for each act selected to be in the show. For more information, call 228-864-7261

Auditions for play 'Sand Pies and Scissorlegs'

Gulfport Little Theatre's production of the comedy/drama "Sand Pies and Scissorlegs," by Mark Dunn, will hold its initial auditions at the theater Jan. 19 and 20. Both audition times are 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

"Sand Pies and Scissorlegs" will run March 12-16 and will be directed by Bob Lanham. There are roles for two men and two women in the 24-30 age range and also two roles for

women in their 50s or older. The author, Mark Dunn, will come from New York City for the production. Dunn has also asked Lanham to direct a film version of the play to be shot on the Gulf Coast. Actors in the Gulfport Little Theatre stage version will get consideration for the casting of the movie.

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The subject property has an appraised value of \$6,500.00 and is located just South of State Route 43, which is also referred to as Highway 603, and is part of Lot 16 and 17 of Shoreline Park Subdivision Square 102, Unit 7. The subject property is a part of Tax Parcel Number 138F-027-345.000 as reflected on the county tax maps of the Hancock County Tax Assessor's Office. ALL bids must be accompanied by a PERFORMANCE BOND in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid. This bid must be in the form of a CERTIFIED CHECK, CASHIER'S CHECK, MONEY ORDER, OR BID BOND and will be refunded if you are not the successful bidder. However, if after thirty days upon notification, the successful bidder fails to remit the full amount of the bid, the five percent (5%) PERFORMANCE BOND will be forfeited. Cash or personal check will not be accepted, and if attached will disqualify the bid. The sale of said property is subject to the provisions that no junkyards, as defined in 23 U.S.C. Section 136, shall be hereafter established or maintained on or above described lands, and no signs, billboards, outdoors advertising structures or advertisement of any kind, as provided in 23 U.S.C. Section 131, shall be hereafter erected, displayed or maintained upon or within the above described land, except that signs may be erected and maintained to advertise the sale, hire or lease of the property, or principle activities conducted on the land upon which the signs are located.

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161 Condo Rental/Sale

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LAKESIDE VILLA STUDIO CONDO, for rent. Located next to Diamondhead Country Club. \$420/month plus deposit. 255-6535.

Public Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
LENORA BILBO PLAINTIFF
VS.
RICHARD DIDSBURY DEFENDANT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 02-0103
SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: RICHARD DIDSBURY
Address unknown

You have been made a Defendant in the Complaint filed in this Court by Lenora Bilbo, seeking damages for an automobile accident that occurred on August 31, 2001, in Hancock County, Mississippi.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Petition to R. Hayes Johnson, Jr., attorney for Plaintiff, whose mailing address is 1918 15th Street, Gulfport, MS 39501, and whose telephone number is (228) 822-0016. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS ON YOU IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT OF DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED BY THE PETITION.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after said.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this 13 day of January, 2003

Circuit Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi
BY Karen L. Ruhl, C.C.
R. Hayes Johnson, Jr.
JOHNSON LAW FIRM, PLLC
1918 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501
01/16, 01/23, 01/30/03

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bay St. Louis City Council workshop and meeting scheduled for Monday, January 20 and Tuesday, January 21, 2003 has been rescheduled to Monday, January 27, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m.

The City Council workshop and meeting will be held at the City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street. All interested parties are invited to attend.

PAULA C. FAIRCOURT
CLERK OF COUNCIL

01/12, 01/16, 01/19/03

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
In Re: Estate of
James Kenneth Pollard, Deceased
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
CAUSE NO. 2002-294

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF JAMES KENNETH POLLARD
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 2nd day of May, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of James Kenneth Pollard, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 27th day of December, A.D. 2002.

LISA BARRINEAU POLLARD
EXECUTRIX

Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-4574
MS Bar No. 5091
01/02, 01/09, 01/16/03

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF NELLE D. HANSEN, Deceased
CAUSE NO. 2002-444

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of December, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Nelle D. Hansen, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred. This 27th day of December, 2002.

DANA HAL JONES
Administrator

William W. Dreher, Jr.
Dreher Law Firm
P.O. Box 968
2224 24th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi 39502
Tel. 228-822-2222
Fax. 228-822-2626
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DEED OF TRUST
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
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WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Secretary of Veterans Affairs, by instrument recorded in the office of the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 590 at Page 355; and

WHEREAS, on the 18th day of January, 2001, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dian Stearns, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 617 at Page 150; and

WHEREAS, on the 24th day of October, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 722 at Page 481; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 31st day of January, 2003, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

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I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 30th day of December, 2002.

JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
 1820 AVENUE OF AMERICA
 MONROE, LA 71201
 318-330-9020
 01/09; 01/16; 01/23; 01/30/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
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WHEREAS, on the 19th day of June, 2001, Kirk A. Enixious and Melissa G. Enixious, sold the property, conveying said indebtedness unto Melissa G. Enixious, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book BR232 at Page 386 and re-recorded in Book BR232 at Page 845 and also re-recorded in Book BR243 at Page 448; and

WHEREAS, on the 28th day of November, 2001, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 663 at Page 735; and

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on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.
WITNESS my signature, on this the 3rd day of January, 2003.

LEM ADAMS, III
TRUSTEE
PREPARED BY: ADAMS & EDENS
Foreclosure Department
POST OFFICE BOX 400
BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI 39043
(601) 825-9508
01/09; 01/16; 01/23; 01/30/2003

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 7th day of February, 2000, Brandy Dawn Guichet and Husband Craig Michael Guichet, as estate in the entirety with rights of survivorship and not tenants in common, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Doug E. Flavin, Trustee for Advanta National Bank, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 582 at Page 475; and

WHEREAS, on the 25th day of November, 2002, Advanta National Bank, assigned said Deed of Trust unto Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as custodian or trustee, f/k/a, Bankers Trust Company, a national banking association, i/v/a, Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Trustee for the Asset Backed Securities Corporation Long Beach Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-LB1, the holder of said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John C. Underwood, Jr., as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated July 16, 2002 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 703 at Page 749; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, "MERS" Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the same due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C. Underwood, Jr., as Substituted Trustee, in said deed of trust, will, on the 28th day of January, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lot 49, Second Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said City made by E.S. Drake, C.E., and filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on May 1, 1923.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 23rd day of December, 2002.

John C. Underwood, Jr.
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
 Control #02101550
 01/02; 01/09; 01/16; 01/23/2003

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on May 15, 2000, Ricky D. Palmquist and Spouse Cheryl Ann Palmquist, the legal holder of said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 31st day of January, 2003, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lot 19, Square 314, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, ADDITION 1, as per the official map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, page 19, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS my signature, on this the 19th day of December, 2002.

LEM ADAMS, III
TRUSTEE
PREPARED BY: ADAMS & EDENS
Foreclosure Department
POST OFFICE BOX 400
BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI 39043
(601) 825-9508
12/26/02; 01/02; 01/09; 01/16/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on June 15, 1998, Bryant Peterson and Elmer Marie Peterson aka Elmer Marie Ritch, executed a Deed of Trust to Michael P. Lee, Trustee for the benefit of Centex Home Equity Lending, Inc., Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 518 at Page 165 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the said Elmer Marie Ritch, as Trustee for the benefit of Centex Home Equity Lending, Inc., as Trustee for the benefit of the Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, Series 2000-BJ3, by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 634 at Page 172; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 31st day of January, 2003, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lot 19, Square 314, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, ADDITION 1, as per the official map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, page 19, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS my signature, on this the 19th day of December, 2002.

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TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on May 15, 1992, Ollie B. Kapp and Margaret B. Kapp, as joint tenants, executed a Deed of Trust to W. Stewart Robison, Trustee for Mid-State Trust II, a business trust, and Jim Walter Homes, Inc., Beneficiary, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Land and Plat Book 172 at Page 133-134, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

AND WHEREAS, this Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Mid-State Trust II, a business trust, by instrument recorded in Book 716, at Page 500-501, in the office of the Chancery Clerk aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS, default having been made in payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of the note and Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, I will on the 12th day of February, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during legal hours between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., at the Main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property, situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 12 and 13, Block 125, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit #7, Addition #3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, recorded in Plat Book 3, page 27

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this, the 8th day of January, 2003

W. Stewart Robison, Trustee
 01/16; 01/23; 01/30; 02/06/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 29th day of September, 2001, Johnny Marlow, a married man and his wife, Joyce Marlow, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto CTC Real Estate Services, Trustee for MERS Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 656 at Page 033; and

WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of October, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 723 at Page 816 and re-recorded in Book 732 at Page 555; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 7th day of February, 2003, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Beginning at the SE corner of the intersection of Waveland Avenue and Rue De La Salle; thence S 6 degrees 40' E 113.8 feet to a point; thence East 51.0 feet to a point, hence North 113.0 feet to a point, hence West 64.1 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being wholly within part of Lots 23 and 24, Block 15, Vondrozsky's First Addition to Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 9th day of January, 2003.

JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
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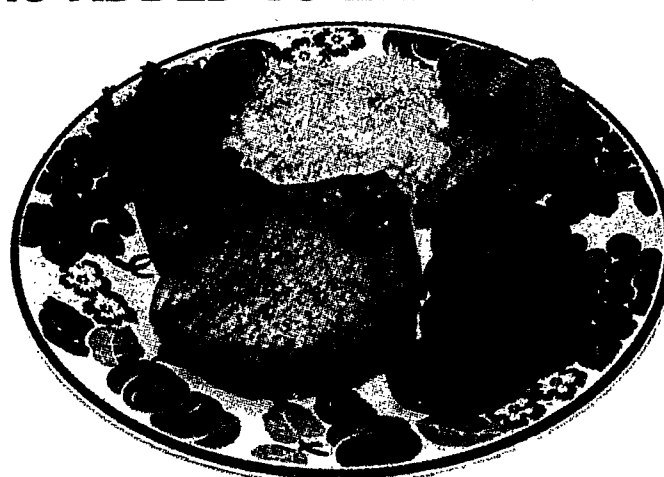
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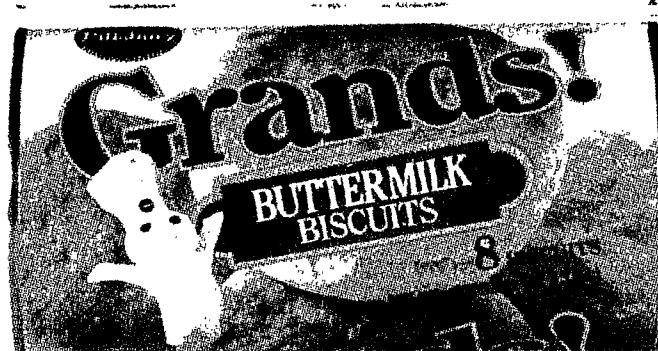
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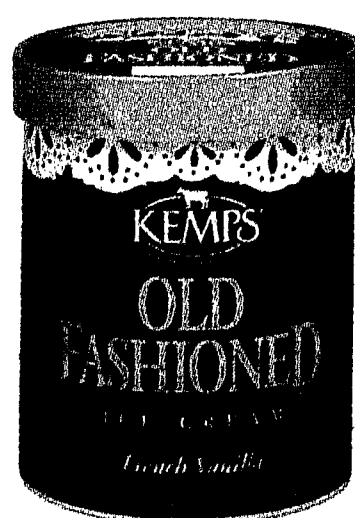
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